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3210 Fairfield Avenue
Bronx 63, New York
December 29, 1952

The Committee to Secure
Justice in the Rosenberg Case
1850 Sixth Avenue
New York 18, N. Y.

Dear Sirs:

To-night I sent the following telegram to Attorney
General McGranery:

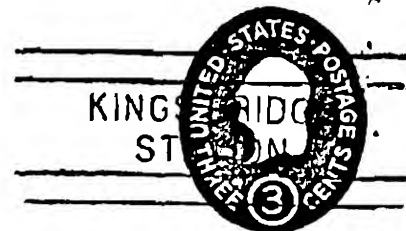
"Please instruct New York District Attorney in Judge
Kaufman's Court to-morrow to agree to reduction of Rosen-
bergs' sentence. Their execution would be a grave injustice
and a disgrace to our nation before the whole world."

I sent telegrams of the same import to President Tru-
mand and the United States Attorney Land.

Yours sincerely,

C. J. Hendley
Charles J. Hendley.

C. Hendley
3210 Fairfield Ave
Bronx 63, NY



Editor
Daily Worker
35 East 12 St
New York 3
N.Y.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: March 25, 1953

FROM : SA J. E. GIBLER

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SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
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Date information received March 19, 1953

Identity of employee who can testify as to the receipt of the exhibit SA J. E. GIBLER AND SA B. A. WEBB

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PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
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BRITISH GOVERNMENT INTERVENES
ON BEHALF OF M.P. EXCLUDED UNDER
McCARRAN ACT FROM CLEMENCY SPEECH

NEW YORK, N.Y.---The British Government has made representations to the U.S. State Department on behalf of the Hon. Sydney Silverman, British Labor M.P. who was this week refused a visa to enter the U.S. to speak at the Clemency Dinner for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

This was learned from the British Embassy in Washington, D. C. by the Rosenberg Clemency Committee, sponsors of the dinner, slated for Wednesday, March 18th, at the Hotel Capitol in this city.

Mr. Silverman was quoted in the London Telegraph of March 11th, as saying that the provision of the McCarran Law under which he was excluded "refers to anarchists, atheists, Communists, totalitarians and a variety of other people, none of whom could apply to me."

A member of the world executive of the World Jewish Congress, Mr. Silverman also stated that the American Jewish Congress was "much perturbed" by the U.S. Government's action.

It was learned here that the Congress had protested the visa refusal as had a number of other U.S. organizations in opposition to the McCarran Law.

A Reuters dispatch from Washington quoted State Department spokesman Joseph Reap as denying that the visa refusal had anything to do with Mr. Silverman's connection with the Rosenberg Case. In any case, Reap reportedly said, "he would still be ineligible to enter the country."

The Rosenberg Clemency Dinner Committee, wired this protest to both the State Department and the Department of Justice:

"Since a great number of Americans of the most splendid reputation and unquestioned loyalty are urging such clemency...it seems unwarranted interference with freedom of discussion and an inexcusable affront to a legislator of a friendly nation.... Will you please review the situation personally and approve the issuance of the necessary visa."

In the event that Mr. Silverman is finally refused entry to this country, plans are being made for him to address the dinner, which one thousand are expected to attend, by transatlantic telephone.

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BUREAU (REGISTERED MAIL)
NEW YORK (REGISTERED MAIL)

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COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, IS-C, DAYLET.

PH-82-S4 ADVISED YESTERDAY THAT PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER OF CAPTIONED

COMMITTEE WILL HOLD MEETING AT ESSEX HOTEL, PHILA., ON EVENING

3/27/53. AARON SNYDER WHO, ACCORDING TO INFORMANT, IS CONNECTED

WITH TRADE UNION COMMITTEE IN NY, WILL BE THE MAIN SPEAKER.

PH PLANS TO COVER THROUGH ESTABLISHED SOURCES.

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WA 4, NY 1 FROM REMARK 25 6-35 PM
 DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC, NEW YORK URGENT

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, AKA COMMITTEE FOR
 CLEMENCY FOR THE ROSENBERGS, IS DASH C. DAYLET. REFERENCE IS MADE TO
 LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR ADDRESSED TO MR. DONALD G. BORG, PRESIDENT
 AND PUBLISHER OF THE BERGEN EVENING RECORD, HACKENSACK, N. J. THIS
 LETTER WAS DATED WASHINGTON, D. C., MAR TEN LAST. LETTER CONCERNED
 AD ENTITLED QUOTE WE BEG TO DIFFER DASH MR. PRESIDENT UNQUOTE WHICH
 APPEARED IN BERGEN EVENING RECORD ON MARCH TWO LAST AND WAS AN AD
 SPONSORED BY THE NEW JERSEY COMMITTEE FOR CLEMENCY FOR THE ROSENBERGS
 FIVE SEVEN TWO PROSPECT ST., MAPLEWOOD, N. J.

[REDACTED] REPORTED THIS MOON THAT LEV MOROZE, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE
 N. J. CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS, WHICH GROUP HAS BEEN ACTIVE IN LOCAL
 ROSENBERG AFFAIRS, CONTACTED INDIVIDUAL BELIEVED TO BE DAVID ALMAN OF
 N. Y. COMMITTEE TO SUCURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE REGARDING THE
 N. J. COMMITTEE-5 AD WHICH APPEARED IN THE BERGEN EVENING RECORD.

INFORMANT REPORTS MOROZE INDICATED THAT HE - N. J. COMMITTEE FOR
 ROSENBERGS- HAVE BEEN HONORED BY A LONG LETTER FROM QUOTE EDGAR J.
 HOOVER UNQUOTE. THE DIRECTOR-3 LETTER TO THE EDITOR OF THE BERGEN
 EVENING RECORD APPEARS IN THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE COLUMN UNDER THE
 CAPTION SETTING IT STRAIGHT, THE BERGEN EVENING RECORD, TUES., MAR
 TWENTYFOUR LAST, EDITORIAL PAGE, NUMBER THIRTYFOUR. THIS ITEM IS NOW
 IN THE POSSESSION OF DR. LEONARD TUSHNET, CHAIRMAN OF THE N. J.

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COMMITTEE, WHO IS PLANNING TO BRING IT TO NEW YORK THIS AFTERNOON. MOROZE HAS REPORTED THAT MR. HOOVER PICKED ON THE BUSINESS ABOUT THE GOVERNMENT, THE FBI AND HARRINGTON ADMITTING THAT HE HELPED A GOVERNMENT WITNESS TO LIE UNDER OATH. MOROZE- S COMMENT WAS ON THIS ITEM THAT IN THE ATTACK MR. HOOVER REVEALS THAT SCHNEIDER DID LIE AND IT IS MOROZE- S OPINION THAT THERE IS SOMETHING OF VALUE IN THE LETTER ALTHOUGH DR. LEONARD TUSHNET DOES NOT AGREE WITH HIM. ACCORDING TO INFORMANT, ALMAN HAS POINTED OUT THAT THE MOMENT A PERSON OF THE DIRECTOR- S STATURE ADMITS THAT THIS IS A MATTER OF DEBATE, AN IMPORTANT POINT HAS BEEN SCORED. ALMAN ALSO OBSERVED THAT ANOTHER FACTOR IS INVOLVED AND THAT IS SINCE A MOTION IS GOING TO COURT ON MAR THIRTY, THERE IS NOW A QUESTION OF ETHICS IN RESPECT TO MR. HOOVER- S COMMENTING ON THIS MATTER TO THE NEWSPAPERS. DURING THE DISCUSSION, ALMAN IS REPORTED TO HAVE INDICATED THAT THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THAT MR. HOOVER HAS COMMENTED DIRECTLY ON ANYTHING THAT THEY HAVE SAID. MOROZE COMMENTED THAT HE BELIEVED MR. HOOVER WAS VERY FRIENDLY WITH THE BERGEN EVENING RECORD. COPY OF ARTICLE BEING FORWARDED TO BUREAU AND N. Y. BY COVER LETTER TODAY.

CORR - LINE TEN WORD ONE SHOULD BE DEBATE

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, BALTIMORE [REDACTED] b1 DATE: 3/3/53
FROM: SA RICHARD F. MC ELLICE
SUBJECT: [REDACTED] b1

[REDACTED] b1

EXTREME CARE SHOULD BE USED IN REPORTING ANY
OF THIS INFORMATION IN ORDER TO PROTECT FULLY
THE IDENTITY OF THE INFORMANT.

Set out below is an exact copy of the statement
furnished by the informant, except that file numbers for the
individuals mentioned have been inserted parenthetically by
the writer.

"February 15, 1953

"On Wednesday, February 11, 1953 I attended a
meeting of the BALTIMORE COMMITTEE TO URGE CLEMENCY FOR THE
ROSENBERGS at the Little Folks Theatre, 1314 W. North Ave.
Present were;

RFM:vc
cc: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] b1 [Signature]

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① - NEW YORK (INFO)

[Signature]

FBI BALTIMORE, MD.
MARCH 6, 1953

[Signature]

M/SAG

RE: [REDACTED] 92

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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"The speaker of this meeting was Helen Sobell, wife of Morton Sobell, arrested and tried with the Rosenbergs.

[REDACTED]

A

"Helen Sobell's speech followed the same pattern as other Communist speeches, like; 'Today its them, tomorrow it may be you.' She said 'This is a new kind of a game.' She said after the trial, everybody acted as if they had just finished a tennis match. Her voice sounded different when she was making the speech and when she was helping to set up committees for action.

M/SAC

RE: [REDACTED] 62

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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The contents of this memorandum have been compared with the original statement furnished by the informant, and found to be correct.

One copy of this memorandum is being furnished to New York because of the interest of that office in the activity on behalf of the Roscnbergs.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK

DATE: 3/25/53

FROM : SAC, BALTIMORE (100-15241)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
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Enclosed is one copy of a memorandum dated 3/3/53 containing information furnished by [REDACTED]. This memorandum which is self-explanatory is being furnished to your office because of the information contained therein concerning captioned organization. **61**

Enclosure (1)
REGISTERED MAIL
RFM:ah

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ALSO.

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN ROSENBERG CASE. IS-C. TAYLET. SF 1050-3 HAS ADVISED THAT SYLVIA STEINGART, LOCAL OFFICER OF ABOVE COMMITTEE (CP), STATED THE NEW EVIDENCE HAS BEEN DEVELOPED IN ROSENBERG CASE TO SHOW THAT DAVID GREENGLASS LIED WHEN HE TESTIFIED HE WAS NOT COACHED BY FBI. STEINGART ADVISED "THEY" HAVE EVIDENCE TO SHOW THE FBI DID COACH LEE BUT ARE NOT MAKING THIS PUBLIC AS YET, AND INTEND TO USE THIS INFORMATION IN A FUND-RAISING LETTER. SHE ADVISED THE PEOPLE'S WORLD THAT SHE WOULD ADVISE WHEN ABOVE CAN BE PUBLISHED.

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ET: hko

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cc: 100- (SILVIA STEINMETZ)

cc: 100-34266 (D&YLST)

cc: LOS ANGELES, SAN DIEGO, NEW YORK, HONOLULU (ALL 44-730.)

copy to
J. H. H. H. H.

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Voice of the People

(A public forum for readers' comment on matters of public interest and on this newspaper's editorial opinions. Like Voltaire we may wholly disagree with what they say but will defend to the death their right to say it. Conciseness, signature, and full address are required.)

SETTING IT STRAIGHT

Editor, Bergen Evening Record.

Dear Sir: I am deeply concerned over an advertisement entitled "We Beg To Differ — Mr. President", which appeared in the Bergen Evening Record on Mar. 2, 1953. This advertisement was sponsored by the New Jersey Committee for Clemency for the Rosenbergs, 572 Prospect Street, Maplewood, N. J. Particular reference is made to an allegation in this advertisement which reads, "The F. B. I. Agent, John Harrington, admitted on Dec. 1, 1952, that he helped an important witness in the case to lie under oath."

While I appreciate the policy of newspapers with reference to advertising, I could not let the opportunity pass without bringing to your attention the fact that the allegation concerning Special Agent Harrington is entirely without foundation in fact.

I have, of course, no way of knowing what initial inquiries were made by your paper concerning the accuracy of this particular advertisement, but I do want to apprise you fully of the pertinent data concerning the unfounded allegation against Special Agent Harrington.

The facts simply are these: On Mar. 26, 1951, Special Agent Harrington, pursuant to a request from the United States Attorney, took a potential witness, Ben Schneider, into the courtroom in the Southern District of New York, where Julius Rosenberg was being tried. The purpose of bringing the potential witness into the courtroom was to determine whether he could identify Julius Rosenberg as the individual who had had passport photographs taken in the shop of the potential witness. Schneider testified the following day against Julius Rosenberg and on direct examination was asked, referring to the date June 1950, the following question, to which he made the following response: "Q.—And is that the last time you saw him (Rosenberg) before today? A.—That's right."

The counsel for the Rosenbergs have alleged that the foregoing statement was false, and filed a motion in District Court which resulted in the Government's filing an affidavit by Special Agent Harrington on Dec. 2, 1952, which recounted the above facts. Judge Sylvester Ryan on Dec. 10, 1952, in denying the defendants' motion said, "There was no motive for falsehood on the part of Schneider, and there is not the slightest evidence that Schneider's testimony on this was intentionally false."

At no time did Special Agent Harrington counsel the witness Schneider to withhold the fact that he had been brought into the courtroom on the day previous to his testimony for the purpose of identifying Julius Rosenberg. Special Agent Harrington merely performed the simplest type of investigative function in this matter to determine whether a potential witness could identify the defendant, Julius Rosenberg.

I have always felt that the press has served as a great and forceful medium for the presentation of the truth in a succinct and clear manner. It is certainly regrettable that the Bergen Evening Record with its thousands of readers has been used by the New Jersey Committee for Clemency for the Rosenbergs to present in the form of a distorted advertisement a statement which can only be described as a clear-cut prostitution of the truth.

I have taken the liberty of discussing this matter in some detail as I know you will appreciate how all of us in the F. B. I. are deeply concerned by this vicious attack upon the integrity of a Special Agent in your service.

J. EDGAR HOOVER

Director.

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, March 14, 1953.

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FROM :
SUBJECT: SAC, NEWARK (100-36202)

DATE: 3/25/53

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

There is attached a clipping from the Bergen Evening Record for Tuesday, 3/24/53, which appeared on page 34.

The clipping is a letter to the editor of this newspaper from the Director.

Reaction of New Jersey Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case to above clipping was furnished to the Bureau and New York by teletype dated 3/25/53.

cc: New York (1 cc) (Encl. 1) (REGISTERED MAIL)

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] 870 [REDACTED]
Dear [REDACTED]

Reference is made to my letter of March 3, 1953, informing you that after processing the 100 feet of movie film you forwarded to this Bureau on February 24, 1953, would be returned.

The afore-mentioned film has been developed and I am enclosing same with this letter.

I wish to thank you again for making this film available to me.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosure

2 cc - New York (w/enclosure)

2 cc - Washington Field

2 cc - Baltimore

NOTE TO SAC'S NEW YORK, WASHINGTON FIELD, AND BALTIMORE:

Reference is made to Bulet [REDACTED] dated March 3, 1953.

Referenced letter advised that after processing the 100 feet of movie film taken by [REDACTED] of a picket line marching near the White House on February 15, 1953, in protest of the Rosenberg death sentence would be made available to the New York Office for information and identification.

see att. 1B-614

There is enclosed for New York a duplicate roll of the afore-mentioned film. After appropriate review of this film has been made, New York should make it available to the Baltimore and Washington Field Offices for their information.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK

DATE: March 26, 1953

FROM : SAC, BOSTON (100-27290)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Security Informant [REDACTED] of known reliability,
on March 12, 1953, furnished to Special Agent PHILIP M.
BRAND of the Boston Office, the following [REDACTED] **B20**

1. Invitation to Clemency Dinner to be held
at Hotel Capitol, New York City,
March 18, 1953.
2. Reservation card for same.
3. Return envelope addressed to Professor
STEPHEN LOVE, Hotel Capitol, New York 19,
New York.

These are furnished to your office for any value
they may have.

REGISTERED MAIL

Enclosures (3)

PMB:mo

See Encls 1B172, 1B173
1B174

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Director, FBI (100-387835)

3/26/53

SAC, New York (100-107111)

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
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INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Rebuairtel to New York, 3/23/53.

There are forwarded herewith the 2/18/53 edition of the "Daily Home News" of New Brunswick, New Jersey; leaflet issued by the National Labor Committee for Clemency for the Rosenbergs captioned, "FBI Affidavit Admits Witness Lied in Rosenberg Case!" and leaflet issued by captioned committee stating, "There is Doubt in the Case: The FBI Admitted on December 1st that It Helped an Important Witness Lie under Oath."

Encs. 3

Revised
JAH:kdd

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SAC, Newark (100-36202)

3/27/53

SAC, New York (100-107111)

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Re Newark letter, 3/23/53, requesting NY to check its indices re
TONY MINUTOLI.

Newark is advised that there is no record of this individual in the
files of the NYO.

JAH:kad

4/1/53
[Signature]

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SAC, NEW YORK URGENT

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN ROSENBERG CASE, IS-C. PH EIGHTYTWO
S ADVISED TODAY THAT JEAN FRANTJIS, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, PH CHAPTER
CAPTIONED ORGANIZATION, WILL ATTEND RESIDENT BOARD MEETING OF CAP-
TIONED ORGANIZATION IN NY TOMORROW. FRANTJIS EXPECTS NEW POLICIES IN
REGARD TO HANDLING OF ROSENBERG CASE TO COME OUT OF THIS MEETING.

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PH R 3 NY JLW

*Washington advised
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[Signature]*

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NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
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On February 26, 1953, [REDACTED] orally furnished the following information to the writer. During the interview handwritten notes were taken by the writer and they will be maintained in [REDACTED] **B7D**

As of February 23, 1953, the captioned organization continued to maintain office space at the Inspiration House. The most active individual working out of this office was Reverend HAROLD S. WILLIAMSON of New York who was scheduled to return to New York on February 27, 1953.

The Informant had learned that Reverend WILLIAMSON claimed that there had been 2,000 people in Washington taking part in the picket line at the White House on February 22, 1953.

[REDACTED] was of the opinion that there were only about 1,500 people taking part in the picket line on that date. **B7D**

The Informant is of the opinion that, unless some favorable action is taken by President EISENHOWER or by the Supreme Court toward the ROSENBERGS, another picket line will be initiated during the last week prior to the scheduled execution of the ROSENBERGS.

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(4 - New York

1 - Inspiration House (100-22664)

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BARBER & H. WALKER

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Committee To Secure Justice In The Rosenberg Case

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JOSEPH BRAMIN
Chairman
DAVID ALMAN
Executive Secretary

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NEW YORK, N.Y. --- (ROUNDUP) --- Since President Eisenhower's denial of clemency to Ethel & Julius Rosenberg, public sentiment for commutation of the death sentences has increased, it was reported today by the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg case.

In the Christian Science Monitor of Feb. 27th, Joseph C. Harsch writes: "There is room for a question, however, whether execution (of the Rosenbergs) will best serve the long-term interests of the United States...."

Under the headline "Why Kill Them," the Buffalo News asks: "Will the taking of their lives accomplish any good purpose?...killing them won't solve any problems."

Discussing the Pope's appeal to Pres. Eisenhower to spare the Rosenbergs' lives, the Des Moines Register suggests that "it might be a good stroke...if a popular move to abolish the death penalty got going...." In another editorial the Register points out that "there is certainly unequal justice in electrocuting the Rosenbergs and letting Klaus Fuchs...off so easily."

The University of Minnesota Daily calls a denial of clemency "another blow against the unity America is trying to achieve in Europe."

Alarmed at red-baiting attacks on those who seek clemency for the Rosenbergs, the Mitchell, B.D. Republic demands that "Americans must continue to stand up for what they think is right..."

In like vein, Rabbi A.H. Blumenthal of Mt. Vernon, N.Y., in a letter to the Argus there charges that "it is the height of irresponsibility to label all who are opposed to the death sentence as 'Commies or Pinkos.'"

Only one who is ignorant of the magnificent contributions of liberalism to American civilization will condone this."

Commenting on Pres. Eisenhower's refusal to grant clemency, the Worcester Independent said: "Thousands of decent Americans honestly hoped that the President would grant clemency..."

The McKeesport News, calling the Rosenbergs typical Americans like "the folks across the street," says that their death sentence "haunts our consciences. Should they be killed...? There arises the vision of a father and mother and two young boys."

Feeling that the U.S. "will come out badly" in the Rosenberg case, the University of Toronto Varsity finds "there are grounds for debate on the punishment."

Message to Israel, a Protestant missionary publication, reports that it has "written to the President appealing...that he commute this death sentence."

A 129-year-old newspaper, the Penn Yan, N.Y. Chronicle-Express, "wonders why this inconspicuous couple is tried and threatened with death...Could it be that the Rosenbergs are being made scapegoats?"

Rev. Ralph Walker of New York's Madison Avenue Baptist Church led a prayer, reported in the New York Times of February 23rd, for the U.S. Supreme Court and Pres. Eisenhower "that they may combine justice and mercy," in the Rosenberg case.

Two Canadian newspapers, one Catholic and one Jewish, have also spoken out, The Pilot asks: "Is it not possible that something may be said in favor of clemency?" The Israelite Press regrets "most deeply that Pres. Eisenhower did not display generosity by using executive clemency...we feel that the death sentence is too cruel and ought not to have been imposed..."

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: March 27, 1953

FROM : SA J. E. GIBLER

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NEW APPEALS FROM EUROPE
AND ASIA URGE CLEMENCY

New York, N.Y., March 13, 1953 — A clemency petition addressed to the U.S. government is being signed by hundreds of people in Trieste, urging that the Rosenbergs be returned to their two small boys.

In Paris, the nationally prominent attorney Paul Villard is circulating the Rosenberg's clemency petition among his colleagues, as Italian lawyers are also planning to do.

"People of all creeds and political opinions in France," Villard reports, "pray for the salvation of the two innocents, Julius and Ethel Rosenberg. Millions of people have their name and picture in their hearts."

At the memorial tablet erected in Genoa, Italy to murdered partisan fighters, a wreath has just been placed with a placard asking: "Let us give back the Rosenbergs to their sons."

The Democratic Women's Organization of Israel has petitioned the president to "commute the murderous death sentence and ... prevent the assassination of innocent people. We Jewish women regard this brutal sentence ... (as) injuring the honor of every honest person."

A number of outstanding French Catholics have appealed for clemency, including Father Martin Berger; Louis Martin Chauffier, co-manager of Figaro; Albert Beguin, executive editor of Esprit, and senators, deputies and professionals.

The Independent Labor Party of England adds "our voice to others and appeal (s) to the President of the U.S.A. that the Rosenbergs should be allowed to live."

In both East and West zones of Germany, attorneys, pastors, artists and trade unionists have joined in asking clemency. These include Stuttgart and Stockstadt victims of the Nazi Regime, 150 citizens of Muhlheim, all employees of an Oschersleben candy factory, the Hamburg Tenant's Association, the former Attorney-general of Ludwigshafen and many others.

Belgian senators and congressmen of many political beliefs have joined Henri Rolin, head of the senate, directors of hospitals and other public services, attorneys and journalists in urging President Eisenhower to grant the Rosenbergs clemency.

In Peking, Shen Chun-ju, Vice President of the International Association of Lawyers, stated: "I fully support the American people's struggle for ... the release of the innocent Rosenbergs." Dr. Mei Ju-an, former judge of the Far East International Military Tribunal, termed the death sentences a "most brutal insult to human justice."

~~Lutheran, Congregationalist and ministers of other denomi-~~
tions held a public prayer meeting in Peking for the Rosenbergs, followed by an appeal from 18 Chinese Christian churches and societies, including YIM's calling on U.S. Christians to work for clemency for the Rosenbergs.

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NEW YORK, N.Y.--Four leading legal, political and military figures of France have urged clemency for Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, who face death on charges of conspiracy to commit espionage, it was announced today by the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case.

Statements were made by Andre Mornet, Chief Government Attorney of France; Gilbert de Chambrun, deputy to the National Assembly, a descendant of Lafayette, and an honorary citizen of the United States; General Le Petit, a leader of the French Forces of Resistance at the time of Liberation, and General Le Corguille.

"I have a very painful impression, a lingering doubt, about the testimony in the Rosenberg case," said Mornet, who presided at the trial of Marshall Petain. "The inequality of the treatment of the defendants in this case disturbs me greatly because it seems that a brother confessed and sent his sister to the death house in order to escape with a light sentence.

"This is a drama that transcends all frontiers. It is taking place in a country whose influence is so important to our history, and whose love for the rights of man is akin to our own."

De Chambrun wrote: "I express to you my solidarity with the noble action you have taken. I hope from the bottom of my heart that Mr. and Mrs. Rosenberg will obtain clemency, a clemency which is desired by the majority of public opinion in all countries."

General Le Petit, citing doubts raised in the Rosenberg case by prominent Americans, declared: "I join all the men and women who believe in justice and human dignity to ask the President and the Supreme Court of the United States to honor the great people and themselves by granting to Julius and Ethel Rosenberg the grace that the world calls for with its fervent and ardent voice."

In his plea for clemency, General Le Corguille said: "It is with very great sadness that we are shown once again that a great friendly nation for which we have always had a loyal understanding and high esteem, finds itself today, by a mistake of its government, enmeshed in a great miscarriage of justice of the most inhuman kind."

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TEXT OF FRENCH ASSOCIATION
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On January 2, 1953, the French Association Of Rabbis addressed a plea to President Eisenhower for clemency for Ethel & Julius Rosenberg.

Like news of Pope Pius XII intervention, the action of the French Rabbis was, so far as the Committee has been able to learn, kept from the President.

Following is the text of the plea made by the French Rabbis:

"Mr. President:

"The Rabbinate of France, profoundly moved by the death sentence pronounced on Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, but wishing to avoid any exploitation of this plea for political purposes, respectfully appeals directly to you to implore you to use your prerogative of clemency in their behalf.

"Troubled in conscience by certain indications, and convinced together with an important section of public opinion of the extreme severity of the sentence handed down by Judge Irwin Kaufman, the common ideal of justice and of generosity which we derive from the Bible.

"With confidence in the spirit of equity and humanity to which your life bears testimony, the French Rabbinate hopes, Mr. President, that you will not allow to be carried out this punishment which is without precedent in the West and which, in addition to the persons of the Rosenberg couple, will affect two young children."

ASSOCIATION DES RABBINS FRANCAIS

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AIR-TEL

3/30/53, NEW YORK

BUREAU

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE ARTS, SCIENCES AND PROFESSIONS, IS-C,
ISA-50, DAYLET. RALLY DEMANDING CLEMENCY FOR ROSENBERGS WAS
SPONSORED BY NCASP YESTERDAY AT CARNEGIE HALL. RALLY WAS
ATTENDED BY [REDACTED] B20

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT ANNOUNCED ATTENDANCE WAS 2,000 BUT HE
ESTIMATED ACTUAL ATTENDANCE AT BETWEEN 1,000 AND 1,500. CHAIRMAN
OF RALLY WAS PROFESSOR HENRY PRATT FAIRCHILD. BENEDICTION WAS
BY REV. KENNETH RIPLEY FORBES. AT START OF SPEECHES FAIRCHILD
STATED THAT ALL SPEAKERS HAD BEEN INSTRUCTED TO IGNORE THE
QUESTION OF GUILT OR INNOCENCE AND MERELY STRESSED CLEMENCY,
RALLY COMMENCED WITH FOUR SONGS BY JEWISH FOLK SINGERS. FIRST
SPEAKER WAS LOUISE PETTIBONE SMITH WHO MADE A BRIEF PLEA FOR
CLEMENCY. FORBES THEN MADE A SPEECH WHICH HE ADDRESSED TO
PRESIDENT EISENHOWER. SPEAKING IN A SARCASTIC TONE HE DEMANDED
THAT EISENHOWER CHANGE HIS DECISION RE THE ROSENBERGS. THERE
FOLLOWED A MUSICAL INTERLUDE FEATURING NADINE BREWER AND LUCY
BROWN. RUBY DEE, NEGRO MOTION PICTURE ACTRESS, THEN MADE A
STRONGLY WORDED SPEECH IN WHICH SHE CITED THE SIMILARITY BETWEEN

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THE ROSENBERG CASE AND THE CASES OF WILLIE MC GEE AND THE MARTINSVILLE SEVEN. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WILLIAM HARRISON, ASSOCIATE EDITOR OF "BOSTON CHRONICLE," MADE A BRIEF SPEECH STATING THAT HE BELIEVED THE POPE REALIZED THAT AN EXCESSIVE SENTENCE HAD BEEN IMPOSED ON THE ROSENBERGS. DR. BERNARD LOOMER, DEAN OF THE DIVINITY SCHOOL OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO, MADE THE MOST EFFECTIVE SPEECH AT THE RALLY. HE STATED THAT ASSUMING THE GUILT OF THE ROSENBERGS THERE WERE STILL THREE GOOD REASONS FOR CLEMENCY: ONE, TO AVOID MAKING MARTYRS OF THEM, TWO, BECAUSE THEY HAVE BECOME A SYMBOL OF "US INTOLERANCE" THROUGHOUT THE WORLD AND GRANTING CLEMENCY WOULD BE GOOD PROPAGANDA TO REFUTE THIS SYMBOL OF THE US, THREE, IN TRYING THE ROSENBERGS THE US HAD MADE THEM THE SCAPEGOATS FOR THE SINS COMMITTED BY ALL THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. AT THE CLOSE OF THE RALLY THE MOTHER OF ETHEL ROSENBERG WAS INTRODUCED BUT SHE MERELY THANKED THE AUDIENCE FOR THEIR ATTENDANCE AND DID NOT MAKE A SPEECH. DURING THE RALLY PETITIONS DEMANDING CLEMENCY FOR THE ROSENBERGS WERE CIRCULATED THROUGHOUT THE AUDIENCE.

BOARDMAN

MARCH 30, 1953

AIR-TEL

SAC, NEW HAVEN (100-14203) URGENT
✓ NEW YORK (100-107111) (FOR INFO.)

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, INTERNAL SECURITY - C. REREP SA JOHN F. PRIOR, DATED 3-19-53, AT NEW HAVEN, REFLECTING YALE DAILY NEWS, 2-13-53, ISSUE, CONTAINED ARTICLE SPONSORED BY CONNECTICUT COMMITTEE FOR CLEMENCY FOR ROSENBERGS, WHICH STATED SA JOHN A. HARRINGTON ADMITTED THAT WITH HIS KNOWLEDGE GOVERNMENT WITNESS LIED AT ROSENBERG TRIAL. PROMPTLY FORWARD TO BUREAU TWO COPIES OF THIS ARTICLE. ADVISE IF YALE DAILY NEWS A STUDENT NEWSPAPER OF YALE UNIVERSITY OR REGULAR DAILY NEWSPAPER. IF REGULAR NEWSPAPER, ADVISE RELATIONS OF THIS PAPER WITH YOUR OFFICE. ALSO, DETERMINE IF OTHER NEWSPAPERS YOUR FIELD OFFICE CARRY SIMILAR STATEMENTS CONCERNING SA HARRINGTON, AND, IF SO, FORWARD COPIES TO BUREAU ADVISING RELATIONS OF SUCH PAPERS WITH YOUR OFFICE.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-387835)

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FROM : SAC, NEWARK (100-36202)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
IS-C

Re Newark letter to Director, 3/18/53, and Bureau letter to
Mr. ALEXANDER SILOW, R. R. #1, Box 1450, Port Orange, Fla., dated 3/16/53.

[redacted] furnished SA THOMAS F. INGRAM on 3/17/53 with a leaf-
let he had received. [redacted] captioned
"We Beg to Differ, Mr. President," published by the N. J. Committee for
Clemency for the Rosenbergs, 572 Prospect St., Maplewood, N. J. This
leaflet solicited funds "to help publicize this appeal" and contained
the statement that the FBI Agent, JOHN HARRINGTON, admitted on December 1,
1952, that he helped an important witness in the case to lie under oath. b7D

The leaflet in content and appearance is similar to the two
N. J. Committee advertisements with the same allegations that are men-
tioned in the referenced Newark letter. The leaflet may also be identi-
cal to that sent by Mr. SILOW to the Bureau, as mentioned in the referenced
Bulet to SILOW.

A photostatic copy of instant leaflet is enclosed with the New
York copy of this letter for their information.

[redacted] was contacted
by SA WILLIAM J. REED, 3/24/53. [redacted] insisted that his identity
be kept confidential and is unwilling to testify. He furnished an
envelope [redacted]

[redacted] containing a mimeographed letter
from LEONARD RUBIN, Chairman, N. J. Committee for Clemency for the
Rosenbergs, 572 Prospect St., Maplewood, N. J. (an SI subject of the
Newark Office) dated 3/17/53, addressed to "Dear Sirs (or Madam)".
The letter stated there was enclosed a fact sheet based on the court
record and other available material and a legal analysis of the case by
an eminent attorney. The two items enclosed with this letter, [redacted]
[redacted] were a 16-page pamphlet captioned "The Rosenberg Case,
An Analysis By D. M. Pritt, World-Famous British Lawyer", issued by the
National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, 1050 6th Ave., b7D
New York 18, N. Y., and a leaflet entitled "The Rosenberg Case", published

REGISTERED MAIL

Enclosure

cc: New York (100-107111) (Encls. 2) (RM)

cc: [redacted]

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by the N. J. Committee for Clemency for the Rosenbergs, 572 Prospect St.,
Maplewood, N. J.

On a page of the above leaflet, under the caption, "New Appeal", and under the statement, "The present appeal to the Supreme Court is based on the following chief grounds:", is a paragraph designated "(2)", which reads as follows:

"That the prosecuting authorities knowingly used false testimony to bring about their conviction. In December 1952 an F.B.I. agent, John A. Harrington, admitted in a sworn affidavit that a government witness had committed perjury in court with the knowledge of the F.B.I."

One photostatic copy of this leaflet is being enclosed herewith for the Bureau and New York.

It is requested the New York Office and the Bureau advise if they desire Newark to continue furnishing new literature bearing the above or similar allegations as they become available.

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Assistant Attorney General
Warren Olney III

Director, FBI

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
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For your information, the technical information furnished by Greenglass to this Bureau in this case and his testimony at the trial in connection therewith was based on his own recollection. At no time was he coached by any scientist or ever consulted with any scientist in connection with this case to the knowledge of this Bureau.

The United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York is being advised of the above.

cc - 2 - New York

(Note: SAC, New York)

Advise USA, SDNY, of the above.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York

FROM : SAC, Philadelphia (100-37667)

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
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There are being forwarded herewith two letters made available on 1/5/53 by a Mr. C. NORMAN DETWEILER, 726 West Broad Street, Quakertown, Pa., to SA THOMAS P. SCOLLARD. These letters were originally received through the mails by the Reverend J. J. BINGHAM of Quakertown, Pa., who, upon the receipt, wrote an article to the local newspaper condemning the actions of the clergymen as reflected in one of the letters.

The letterhead of one of these items is as follows: "Sponsoring Clergymen, Box 136 - Madison Square Station, New York City." The letter urges the recipient to join in an appeal to the President for clemency for the ROSENBERGS.

The second item is an "Open Letter to the President," and urges him to intercede in the ROSENBERG case.

No copies of these items are being retained by the Philadelphia Office.

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NEW YORK COMMITTEE FOR CLEMENCY

for the Rosenbergs

1050 SIXTH AVENUE

NEW YORK 18, NEW YORK

BRyant 9-9683

Chairman: Prof. Ephraim Cross

Exec. Sec'y: Aaron Schneider

FOR RELEASE:

MONDAY

MARCH 23, 1953

TRIBOROUGH STADIUM ON RANDALL'S
ISLAND ENGAGED FOR HUGE
ROSENBERG CLEMENCY RALLY

NEW YORK, N.Y. --- One of the largest outdoor amphitheatres in the New York area, the Triborough Stadium on Randall's Island, has been engaged for the afternoon of SUNDAY, APRIL 26TH for a rally appealing to Pres. Eisenhower to reconsider clemency for the Rosenbergs, it was announced today by the New York Committee for Clemency for the Rosenbergs.

In making public this unprecedented step, the Committee stated that the rally would have a single-admission price, including tax, of only \$1.00 (one dollar), with persons under 16 years of age admitted free.

The program, featuring outstanding speakers and artists and an interfaith prayer, will begin at 2:00 p.m. Details of the program will be announced shortly.

The Triborough Stadium can be reached by 125th Street crosstown busses from Lexington Avenue. No solicitation of funds will be made. Free parking facilities are available.

Tickets can be obtained at the Committee office, 1050 Sixth Ave., New York, N. Y.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-387835)

4/1/53

SAC, NEWARK (100-36202)

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
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Rerep of SA VICTOR J. CAMPI dated 4/1/53 at Newark.

Six copies of referenced report are attached herewith.

It is noted copies of this report are one less than that needed for the usual distribution in these matters. The making of this copy was inadvertently overlooked. Therefore, two rather than three copies have been designated for and sent to New York (Office of Origin) inasmuch as New York reports reflect no local dissemination.

Enclosures - (6)

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cc: NEW YORK (100-107111) (REG. MAIL)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York (100-107111)

FROM : SAC, Philadelphia (100-37667)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

DATE: 4/1/53

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Re New Orleans letter to Philadelphia, dated 2/19/53, a copy of which was sent to the New York Office.

You are advised that PH-7-S is a trash cover maintained on the headquarters of the Communist Party of Eastern Pennsylvania and Delaware, Room 700, Shubert Building, 250 South Broad Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York (100-107111)

FROM : SAC, Philadelphia (100-37667)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

DATE: 4/1/53

There are being forwarded herewith 13 items issued by the captioned committee. These items were made available on 1/7/52 by [redacted] of known reliability, to SA MORGAN L. MIDTHUN. No copies of these items are being retained by the Philadelphia Office.

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DEAR MR. HOOVER:

I AM SURE THE HOLY FATHER HAD NO INTENTION of sponsoring this.

I AM NOT OPPOSED TO THE DEATH PENALTY FOR TRAITORS.

I HAVE NEVER HEARD OF ANY OF THE PERSONS

WHOSE SIGNATURES ARE ENCLOSED PETITION,

MY NAME MUST HAVE BEEN TAKEN FROM SOME

ATTORNEY'S LIST.

MARY H. ZIMMERMAN.

TRUE COPY

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April 1, 1953

Miss Mary H. Zimmerman
125 Kenwood Road
Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan

Dear Miss Zimmerman:

Your letter postmarked March 23, 1953, together with the enclosures, has been received and your interest in making this material available to me is indeed appreciated.

In the event you receive additional data which you believe to be of interest to this Bureau, you may desire to communicate directly with the Special Agent in Charge of our Detroit Office located at 913 Federal Building, Detroit 26, Michigan.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

✓ 2 cc - New York (with copy of incoming)
2 cc - Detroit (with copy of incoming)

Correspondent enclosed the following items:

(1) Letter dated December 19, 1952, addressed "Dear Colleague" regarding the Rosenberg case.

(2) Letter, undated, addressed "Dear Citizen of Michigan."

(3) Post card urging the writer to have President Eisenhower commute the death sentence of the Rosenbergs.

(4) Return envelope addressed to "National Committee for Clemency for the Rosenbergs, 1050 Sixth Avenue, New York, N.Y."

The above items are being retained in Bureau files.

(Please see next page)

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Bureau files reflect the correspondent communicated with the Bureau August 13, 1951, and invited the Director to address the National Association of Women Lawyers. This letter was acknowledged August 21, 1951. The Bureau in a letter to the correspondent on June 12, 1952, advised Miss Zimmerman that the Director would be unable to address the afore-mentioned group.

The correspondent on September 7, 1952, again communicated with the Bureau enclosing some material which she thought of interest and was afforded routine acknowledgment.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK

FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA (100-37667)

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

DATE: April 2, 1953

Enclosed herewith are eight news releases of the captioned organization dated from March 5 to March 23, 1953, received [REDACTED] by SA MORGAN L. MIDTHUN on March 24, 1953. b7D

These items are being forwarded to the New York Office for such disposition as may be deemed appropriate and no copies are being retained by Philadelphia.

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(See Ex's 1B 212-15389) *100-107111-820*

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SUBJECT ROSENBERG/SOBELL COMMITTEE

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is exempt from disclosure, in its entirety, under (b)(7)(D) as information contained in this serial would identify an informant to whom an expressed promise of confidentiality has been given. This information includes dates and places of meetings which were attended by a limited number of people known to the informant and/or information from these meetings and situations in which an informant was in close contact with members of these organizations, disclosure of which would reveal his identity.

March 28, 1959

Mr. Peter B. Boyd
President
Daily News News
100 Broadway, New Jersey

Dear Mr. Boyd:

On February 18, 1959, the Daily News News printed an advertisement which has caused some considerable concern. This advertisement was sponsored by the New Jersey Committee for Liberty for the Rosenbergs, and I would like to make a similar reference to an allegation in this advertisement which reads: "The FBI agent, John Harrington, admitted on December 1, 1952, that he helped an important witness in the case to flee under oath."

Although I certainly appreciate the policy of newspapers with regard to advertising, I did want to inform you that there is no factual foundation for this allegation concerning Special Agent Harrington. Naturally, I do not know what action your paper took to determine the accuracy of this particular advertisement, but I do want to acquaint you with the facts concerning this unfounded allegation.

These are the facts: Pursuant to a request from the United States Attorney, Special Agent Harrington, on March 26, 1951, took a potential witness named Ben Schneider into the courtroom in the Southern District of New York where Julius Rosenberg was being tried. The purpose of this action was to determine whether Schneider could identify Julius Rosenberg as the individual who had had passport photographs taken in Schneider's shop. During Schneider's testimony against Julius Rosenberg the following day, Schneider was asked on direct examination referring to the date June, 1950, the following question, to which he made the following response: "Q. And is that the last time you saw him (Rosenberg) before today?" A. That's right."

Newark, New Jersey - 3-28-59 (100-36202)

Mr. Elmer B. Boyd

March 24, 1959

Calling that the foregoing statement was false, the counsel for the Rosenbergs filed a motion in District Court, and the Government then filed an affidavit by Special Agent Harrington on December 8, 1952, which recounted the above facts. In denying the defendants' motion on December 10, 1952, Judge Sylvester Ryan said, "There was no motive for falsehood on the part of Schneider, and there is not the slightest evidence that Schneider's testimony or facts was intentionally false."

Special Agent Harrington did not counsel Schneider at any time to withhold the fact that he had been brought into the courtroom on the day previous to his testimony for the purpose of identifying Julius Rosenberg. This was merely a simple investigation technique to determine whether a potential witness could identify the defendant, Julius Rosenberg.

Over the years, it has been my personal feeling that the newspapers of this nation render great service in presenting the truth in such manner as to keep the public properly informed. With regard to this advertisement, however, I deeply regret that the Daily News News, with its many readers, has permitted itself to be used by the New Jersey Committee for Clemency for the Rosenbergs to present a statement which is a complete distortion of the truth.

I realize I have gone into considerable detail in explaining this matter to you, but I did want you to know that this reprehensible attack upon the integrity of one of our Special Agents causes all of us in the FBI to be deeply concerned.

Sincerely yours,

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York (100-107111)

FROM : *DH*
q SAC, Newark (100-36202)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

DATE: April 3, 1953

Re Bureau letter to Newark, 3/6/53, and Newark
Air-Tel to Bureau, 3/13/53.

Attached is a photostatic copy of the Director's
letter to "Mr. Elmer B. Boyd, President, Daily Home News,
New Brunswick, New Jersey," dated 3/24/53, which is furnished
for your information.

The Director's letter to "Mr. Donald G. Borg,
President and Publisher, Bergen Evening Record, Hackensack,
New Jersey," dated 3/10/53, is similar in content to the
above-mentioned letter.

Director's letter to Mr. BORG was reprinted in its
entirety, except for the inside address above and salutation,
on page 34, the editorial page, of the "Bergen Evening Record,"
3/24/53, in the Voice of the People column.

Your office has been furnished a clipping of this
reprint and therefore no copy of this letter is being
submitted at this time.

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11:00 AM

DIRECTOR

DEFERRED

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, IS DASH

C. DAYLET. [REDACTED] HAS ADVISED THAT THE CAPTIONED

ORGANIZATION PLANS TO HOLD A MASS MEETING AT THE ODDFELLOWS HALL

IN WASHINGTON, D. C., ON APRIL TEN, NEXT. PURPOSE OF THE MEETING

AS YET UNKNOWN TO INFORMANT.

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HOOD

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cc -

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NEW YORK (100)

J. Harrington

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STOKES-WEBER CO.

GENERAL INSURANCE BROKERS

526 WEST 112TH STREET
NEW YORK, N. Y.

FIRE, AUTOMOBILE, LIFE
RENTS AND PROFITS
USE AND OCCUPANCY
SPRINKLER LEAKAGE
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TOURIST, FUR AND JEWELRY
PERSONAL PROPERTY
& CONTRACTORS FLOATERS
ACCIDENT AND HEALTH
BURGLARY AND HOLD UP

CASUALTY INSURANCE
AUTOMOBILES, TRAMS
WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION
PUBLIC CONTRACTORS &
LANDLORD LIABILITY
PLATE GLASS
FIDELITY AND SURETY BONDS
STEAM BOILERS, TORNADO
EXPLOSION AND WINDSTORM
AIRCRAFT
FRAUD BONDS

April 6, 1953

Federal Bureau of Investigation,
No. 290 Broadway,
New York City.

Gentlemen:-

I am enclosing circular handed me
Easter Sunday at 57th Street & 6th Avenue,
New York City, which you probably know about,
but thought you should have it in case you
have not seen it.

Yours very truly,

Albert P. Weber

ALBERT P. WEBER

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Albert P. Weber

526 WEST 112TH STREET
NEW YORK CITY 25, N. Y.



UNITED STATES
CATHERINE
STATES 3 CENTS

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,
290 BROADWAY,
NEW YORK CITY.

AIR TEL

NEW YORK, N.Y.
April 7, 1953

BUREAU

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE;
IS DASH C. [REDACTED]

THE NYC DEPARTMENT OF PARKS ADVISED TODAY THAT THE RANDALLS ISLAND STADIUM WAS LEASED TO THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE CLEMENCY FOR THE ROSENBERGS FOR THE SUM OF \$1,000. THE LEASE IS FOR THE DATE OF APRIL 26 OR MAY 3 IN THE EVENT IT RAINS ON APRIL 26; TIME IS 2 PM TO 5 PM. DEPARTMENT OF PARKS WILL SUPPLY USUAL POLICE PROTECTION, STADIUM ATTENDANTS AND PARKING LOT ATTENDANTS. COMMITTEE WILL HIRE ITS OWN TICKET SELLERS AND TICKET COLLECTORS. COMMITTEE IS PERMITTED TO CHARGE ADMISSION FEE OF 83 CENTS PLUS 17 CENTS FEDERAL TAX, MAKING TOTAL OF \$1 PER PERSON. COMMITTEE IS PERMITTED TO SELL PROGRAMS FOR 50 CENTS A PIECE. PROGRAM MUST BE APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS. COMMITTEE IS NOT PERMITTED TO TAKE UP ANY COLLECTIONS OR MAKE ANY TYPE OF SOLICITATIONS FOR FUNDS. ONE OF THE CONDITIONS OF THE LEASE IS THAT THE COMMITTEE SECURE PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DASH THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS FROM A REPUTABLE INSURANCE COMPANY.

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[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT THE COMMITTEE IS HAVING DIFFICULTY SECURING THIS INSURANCE AND IF THEY FAIL TO PROVIDE IT THE LEASE WILL BE CANCELLED. HE STATED THAT ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE LEASE OF RANDALLS ISLAND HAVE BEEN HANDLED BY PETER K. HAWLEY AND AARON D. SCHNEIDER, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE *870* COMMITTEE. FOR INFO.

BOARDMAN

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100-36202

NEWARK, N.J.

4/7/53

AIR - TEL

DIRECTOR, FBI

N.J. COMMITTEE FOR CLEMENCY FOR THE ROSENBERGS, IS - C

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT [REDACTED] FURNISHED TODAY A COPY OF THE b7d
"ROSENBERG NEWSLETTER" ISSUED BY THE N.J. COMMITTEE FOR CLEMENCY
FOR THE ROSENBERGS, 572 PROSPECT ST., MAPLEWOOD, N.J. THE NEWSLETTER
KIMEOGRAPHED ON LEGAL SIZE WHITE PAPER CONTAINS VARIOUS PARAGRAPHS
OF ROSENBERG ACTIVITY. PARAGRAPH 8 REFERS TO THE EXCHANGE OF
CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN THE DIRECTOR AND THE BERGEN EVENING RECORD
AND IS AS FOLLOWS: "EDGAR G. HOOVER 'DEEPLY DISTURBED' BY OUR AD,
'WE HED TO DIFFER, MR. PRESIDENT' WHICH APPEARED IN THE BERGEN
EVENING RECORD. IN A LETTER TO THE EDITOR HE CONFIRMED THE FACT THAT
FBI AGENT HARRINGTON WAS AWARE THAT A GOVERNMENT WITNESS LIED
ON THE STAND; HOWEVER, HOOVER CONSIDERED THE AD A VICIOUS ATTACK
ON HIS FBI. IN GESTAPO LIKE FASHION HE THREATENED THE PAPER
FOR TAKING THE AD."

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ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
EXCEPT WHERE SHOWN
OTHERWISE

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J. A. H. [signature]

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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over
TO: SAC, NEW YORK (REG. MAIL)
FROM: SAC, BALTIMORE

DATE: 4/7/53

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE.
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

ReBulet to New York dated 12/30/52 and captioned, "COMMUNIST FRONT ORGANIZATIONS, PROSECUTIVE SUPPLRY REPORTS, INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950."

In compliance with instructions contained in referenced Bureau letter, the below set out persons, whose identities were revealed as a result of their testifying at the Baltimore Smith Act trial in the Spring of 1952, were interviewed for any information they might have concerning captioned organization. However, none of these individuals were able to furnish any pertinent information.

- I. CHARLES H. CRAIG, SR. [REDACTED]
- II. HARRY BARTLETT - [REDACTED] 02
- III. CHARLES NICODEMUS - who testified in the New York trial as well as that in Baltimore, but who was never a Confidential Informant or Source of Information of this office.

MARY STALCUP MARKWARD, [REDACTED]

and ROBERT A. BENNER, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] also testified at the Baltimore Smith Act trial. However, they are being interviewed by the [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] offices respectively and any information which they might have concerning captioned organization will be reported by those divisions. 02

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J.A. Harrison

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290 Broadway
New York 7, New York

April 8, 1953

Mr. Albert P. Weber
Stokes-Weber Co.
526 West 112th Street
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Weber:

I wish to thank you for your letter of April 6, 1953, with enclosure.

Your interest in forwarding this information to me is indeed appreciated and you may be assured that it will receive appropriate attention.

Very truly yours,

TJM:IM
100-107111

LELAND V. BOARDMAN
Special Agent in Charge

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FBI WASH FIELD

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DIRECTOR

URGENT

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, IS DASH

C. DAYLET. RMYTEL DATED APRIL SIX LAST, INDICATING CAPTIONED

ORGANIZATION WAS TO HOLD MASS MEETING AT ODDFELLOWS HALL IN

WASHINGTON ON APRIL TEN NEXT. [REDACTED] NOW ADVISED

THIS DATE WAS IN ERROR AND SHOULD BE MAY TEN NEXT.

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HOOD

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cc - New York (RM)

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J. P. Harrington

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Harrington

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (100-387635)

DATE: April 9, 1953

FROM : SAC, Newark (100-36202)

SUBJECT:

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Re Bureau letter to Newark, 3/6/53.

Newark Confidential Informant [REDACTED] on 3/31/53, made available to SA CHESTER A. WALDRON three different items of literature (two copies of one), described as follows: b7D

1. A letter dated 3/25/53 with the heading "New York Committee for Clemency for the Rosenbergs," 1050 6th Avenue, New York 18, N. Y., Bryant 9-9683, Chairman Professor EPHRAIM CROSS; Executive Secretary EMILY ALMAN.

The letter is addressed to "Dear Friends" and begins as follows:

"American labor has always been opposed to unfair verdicts and to excessive punishments. And for good reason. Labor itself has been the greatest victim of inflamed and prejudiced newspapers and courts.

"For such reasons labor and other organizations and individuals of prominence throughout the world have joined in the plea to spare the lives of the Rosenbergs."

Four paragraphs were devoted to individuals in organizations who have "spoken out on this issue." These are paragraphs alleging support from labor, foreign sources, scientists, and the clergy.

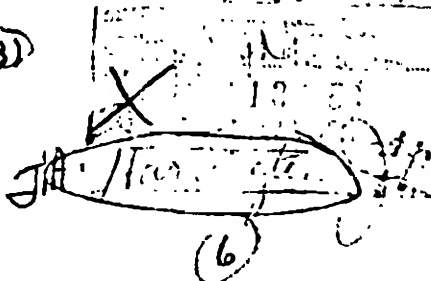
A Clemency Rally for Sunday, 4/26/53, was announced, to be held at the Triborough Stadium on Randall's Island.

Enc. (1)

cc: New York (100-107111) (Encs. 3)

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Letter to Director
NK 100-36202

The letter indicated enclosures of ten one dollar tickets for the above event, which were to be distributed

Also enclosed were two copies of an amicus brief for which signatures were to be solicited. b7D

This letter was signed Professor EPHRAIM CROSS, Chairman.

2. A mimeographed order blank for:

- (a) the above one dollar tickets.
- (b) leaflets advertising the Rally.
- (c) Other material to be sent to the New York Committee for Clemency for the Rosenbergs.

3. Two copies of an "amicus brief in the Rosenberg Case" to be returned with signatures to the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, 1050 6th Avenue, New York 18, N. Y., Bryant 9-9694.

The third paragraph of this brief states, "The FBI admitted on 12/2/52 that an important witness committed perjury under oath. Scientists all over the world call into doubt the scientific value of the alleged evidence and its credibility."

It is noted ten tickets accompanied the above letter, item one. [REDACTED] b7D
[REDACTED] for this reason, none of these tickets were obtained.

A copy of each of the above items is being transmitted to New York with their copy of this letter. The second copy of the amicus brief is enclosed herewith to the Bureau.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

FROM : SA E. K. DEANE

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

DATE: April 9, 1953

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CSNY 48, of known reliability, made available to the New York Office information concerning the above-captioned subject, obtained from the building located at 23 West 26 Street, New York City. This building is occupied by the Civil Rights Congress, American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee and Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, all of which have been declared by the Attorney General of the United States to fall within the purview of Executive Order 9835. In addition, other Communist Party front groups and individual Communist Party members or sympathizers occupy offices at this address.

Strict care must be exercised so that the existence of this important source of evidence will not become known to any outside agency. It is also to be noted that because of the nature of this source of information it will be impossible to recontact the source regarding information furnished.

Date information received March 30, 1953

Identity of employee who can testify as to the receipt of the exhibit SA E. K. DEANE AND SA K. F. BUCKLEY

The following disposition is being made of the original exhibit:

(X) Placed in NY file 100-107111 Serial
Exhibit# ✓

() Forwarded to you for your information and whatever action you deem appropriate.

Description of exhibit:

100-107111-833

Harrington

WAIT! DON'T THROW THE DEATH SWITCH

ARE YOU CERTAIN THE ROSENBERGS ARE GUILTY

BEYOND ALL REASONABLE DOUBT?

DOUBT No. 1: Was the prosecution sincerely seeking Justice?

They heralded the calling of 113 government witnesses, but dared summon only 23, of whom 19 were incidental "padding". Omitted were all scientists of repute such as Dr. Harold C. Urey who has since come out in defense of the Rosenbergs.

(See Transcript of Court Record available at local Defense Committee office.)

DOUBT No. 2: Was there any concrete evidence?

With the unlimited resources of the FBI, plus 9 months to prepare, the prosecution could not produce one single bit of tangible evidence linking the Rosenbergs to espionage. There was nothing but the unsupported testimony of the four "rewarded" witnesses.

No checks, no photographs, no dictaphone recordings, no documents, no micro-film, no letters, no independent witnesses, nothing at all could be produced linking the Rosenbergs with espionage.

(See Transcript, pages 1457-1464.)

DOUBT No. 3: Were the Principle Witnesses at all Believable?

All four (Elitcher, the Greenglasses and Gold) were self-confessed perjurers, all standing to gain by playing along with the prosecution.

Max Elitcher: Self-accused, but let off free.

(Transcript pp. 295-296.)

Harry Gold: Self-proclaimed spy, sentenced to 30 years, but out in 10 on parole.

See Gold's own testimony in U.S. vs. Brothman trial transcript.

David Greenglass: Pleaded guilty, — but only got 15 years (out in 5 on parole).

(See Transcript pp. 679-680.)

Ruth Greenglass: Confessed guilt, but never even indicted and completely free!

(See Transcript pp. 727-728.)

DOUBT No. 4: Did Their "Cloak-and-Dagger" Tale Make Sense?

Bristling with unbelievable contradictions, these four perjurers' story contained such things as:

a. Elitcher's claim that Rosenberg had enlisted him as a Soviet spy in 30 minutes flat. This feat all on the basis of a mere acquaintanceship of four years earlier!

(See Transcript pp. 297-298.)

b. Gold's claim to be the most thoroughly—trained and cautious spy — yet registering in an Albuquerque hotel to meet Greenglass, *under his own name*.

(See Transcript pp. 815-824.)

c. David Greenglass' claim he could remember 12 pages of scientific data after a 6-year lapse, yet admitting he flunked "8 courses out of 8" elementary science in the 1½ year terms of high school he attended.

(See Transcript pp. 611-612.)

d. Ruth Greenglass' claim that although her husband balked at becoming a spy when she first delivered the Rosenbergs' alleged invitation to him, yet *the very next morning* he spouted secret information he conveniently had right on tap.

(See Transcript pp. 682-684.)

DOUBT No. 5: Was there Really an Atomic Bomb Secret?

This myth has been exploded by every reputable American Scientist and expert on nuclear fission as follows:

a. **Dr. Urey:** "That it would be easier for the Soviet Union to develop the atom bomb by themselves than to depend on spies, who would have to be accomplished scientists to comprehend any part of it at all."

b. **James R. Newman** (Counsel—Atomic Energy Commission) stated that: "the general principles underlying all processes are likely to be widely known" ... (pp. 30-31 — petition for clemency.)

c. **Dr. Robert Oppenheimer:** "That there was no basic secret concerning atomic weapons nor the 'knowhow'." (Note: see p. 30 — petition for clemency.)

d. **Time Magazine**, 3-19-51: "Some of his (Greenglass) testimony made little scientific sense."

e. **Scientific American**, May, 1951: "The Greenglass bomb is not much of a secret."

DOUBT No. 6: Was the Jury Influenced by Spy and War Hysteria?

The Prosecution has been condemned by the Court of Appeals for conduct regarded as "wholly reprehensible" in prejudicing the jury with inflammatory

press releases and statements to such an extent that, according to the upper court, it was impossible for any jury to be impartial. When the upper court attempted to sidestep the issue, on 2-18-53, Judge Learned Hand supported the defense appeal to the Supreme Court (now pending) as follows:

"People don't dispose of lives just because an attorney didn't make a point. . . . You can't undo a death sentence. There are some Justices on the Supreme Court on whom the conduct of the prosecuting attorney might make an impression." (See N.Y. Times, 2-18-53.)

Incited by press, radio and prosecution releases the jury forgot the fundamental American tradition of the "presumption of innocence" of the accused—and condemned the Rosenbergs as guilty long before hearing the evidence.

DOUBT No. 7: Was Judge Kaufman Fair and Impartial?

According to the renowned Catholic layman, Professor Stephen Love, who as the Chairman of the Grievance Committee—Chicago Bar Assn., and Chairman of Character and Fitness Com. of Illinois Supreme Court, said, in speaking to Harvard Law students, "There were *over 100 instances* when the presiding Judge . . . interjected himself into the proceedings, and even helped out a government witness and made small of a defense witness. Judge Kaufman was not clarifying things. He was, I could say, putting things in the witness' mouth."

When the jury commenced deliberations and requested "the testimony of Ruth Greenglass" — Judge Kaufman arbitrarily refused to include in this request the cross-examination of the Defense but had read to them only the Prosecution's version of her testimony.

DOUBT No. 8: Was the Charge Actually Treason?

The U. S. Constitution expressly protects all Americans from wild charges of "treason" by requiring 2 independent witnesses. The Prosecution did not even have ONE honest independent witness, therefore resorted to the loose devise of charging the Rosenbergs, not with treason, not with espionage — but with only *conspiracy to commit espionage*.

This is a far cry from the criminally irresponsible charges of "Traitorous Americans" and "Treasonable Acts" by the prosecution. (P. 183-184. Rosenberg transcript.)

Although the Espionage Statute includes the important phrase: "to the injury of the U.S." — this portion of the statute was completely omitted from the indictment against the Rosenbergs.

Despite these facts virtually the entire press, the Prosecution and even high public officials have cultivated the deception in the minds of the American public—the damning idea that the Rosenbergs had been tried and convicted for Treason!

HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO FACE SUCH A "DAY IN COURT"?

Despite the world-wide plea for clemency by all kinds of fair-minded persons there has been an almost one-sided campaign of deception that **ONLY THE REDS ARE WITH THE ROSENBERGS.**

The newspapers try to sound a warning that any one who dares to ask for mercy, any one who airs his doubts becomes by that action a spy just as "traitorous" as the Rosenbergs.

Isn't this exactly the objective of the Rosenberg Case?

What they are saying is: Do Not Dare To Speak Up

Do Not Dare to Question What We Do — or else

You Too May Follow The Rosenbergs.

BUT WORLD OPINION SAYS — NO!

The following are some of the World Figures who advocate clemency:

Pope Pius XII

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

Dr. Bernard Loomer, representing 2300 Protestant ministers appealing to Pres. Eisenhower.

Judge Hubert T. Delany, noted Negro jurist

Mrs. Mary Church Terrell — world-famous Negro leader

Dr. Albert Einstein

Dr. Harold C. Urey

Charles Raven — chaplain to the Queen of England

Chief Justice James Wolfe — Utah Supreme Court

What about the responsible New York Times — Feb. 22, 1953 reporting, as the

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"There are many persons otherwise hostile to the Communist Party who not only oppose the sentence but find that the evidence presented did not even justify a conviction."

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NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SAVE THE ROSENBERGS. IS-C. DAYLET. [REDACTED] WAS ADVISED THAT THE BAY AREA COMMITTEE TO SAVE THE ROSENBERGS ON APRIL NINE LAST WERE DISTRIBUTING IN THE SF AREA A MICROGRAPHED LEAFLET ADDRESSED TO PRESIDENT DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, WASHINGTON, D.C. THE LEAFLET DECLARED THAT "WE ARE SHOCKED THAT OUR DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE HAS URGED OUR COUNTRY'S COURT OF LAST RESORT TO ALLOW THE UNPRECEDENTED EXECUTION OF ETHEL AND JULIUS ROSENBERG - HAS URGED THE SUPREME COURT TO REFUSE A HEARING FOR A NEW TRIAL - ON THE GROUND THAT THE DEFENDANTS WAITED TOO LONG TO RAISE NEW LEGAL ARGUMENTS, TO BRING IN NEW EVIDENCE." THE LEAFLET DECLARES THAT IN OUR COUNTRY IT SHOULD NEVER BE TOO LATE FOR AN OPPORTUNITY FOR TRUTH TO SAVE LIFE, AND URGES THE PRESIDENT TO INSTRUCT ATTORNEY GENERAL EMMETT TO CONSENT TO MOTIONS FOR A NEW TRIAL AND TO EXTEND EXECUTIVE CLEMENCY TO ETHEL AND JULIUS ROSENBERG. THE LEAFLET CONTAINS A SPACE FOR SIGNATURES. THE COMMITTEE ALSO DISTRIBUTED WITH THE LEAFLET A THROWAWAY ENTITLED "ALL FAITHS ASK CLEMENCY FOR THE ROSENBERGS," WHICH SETS FORTH QUOTATIONS FROM THE CATHOLIC WORKER, VOLUME NINETEEN, NO. EIGHT, DATED MARCH NINETEEN LAST, FROM "L'OSSERVATORE ROMANO", OFFICIAL ORGAN OF THE VATICAN, FROM 2300 PROTESTANT CLERGYMEN, OF 26 DENOMINATIONS, AND A CABLE FROM TWENTY ISRAELI RABBIS. THE THROWAWAY URGES INDIVIDUALS TO WRITE AND WIRE THE PRESIDENT AND AG URGING A NEW TRIAL AND CLEMENCY FOR THE ROSENBERGS.

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LOS ANGELES COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG
CASE, IS - C. DAYLET. [REDACTED] ADVISES

THAT SUBJECT COMMITTEE HELD EMERGENCY MEETING LAST NIGHT
TO HEAR AARON SCHNEIDER, NATIONAL SECRETARY OF THE
ORGANIZATION FROM NY. ONLY FUNCTIONARIES OF THE COMMITTEE
AND AREA WORKERS ATTENDED, AND LESS THAN ONE HUNDRED PERSONS
PRESENT. SCHNEIDER ANNOUNCED THAT THE MEETING HAD BEEN
CALLED AT THE REQUEST OF NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR PURPOSE
OF RAISING FINANCES AND TO MAKE A CONCERTED DRIVE FOR
SIGNATURES TO THE AMICUS BRIEF OVER THE WEEKEND. ACCORDING
TO SCHNEIDER, THIS BRIEF IS TO BE FILED WITH SUPREME COURT
BY APRIL FIFTEEN NEXT. THE LOCAL COMMITTEE WAS REQUESTED
TO BE ALERT FOR A SUPREME COURT DECISION EXPECTED BY MONDAY
NEXT OR THE FOLLOWING MONDAY. SCHNEIDER CLAIMED THE
COMMITTEE HAS MORE EVIDENCE OF PERJURY ON THE PART OF DAVID
GREENGLASS AND HOPES TO HAVE THE CASE REMANDED TO A LOWER
COURT TO HEAR THIS EVIDENCE. FOLLOWING SCHNEIDER'S TALK,
THE MEETING BROKE UP INTO SMALLER GROUPS TO DETERMINE WAYS
AND MEANS OF COMPLYING WITH THE REQUEST OF THE NATIONAL OFFICE.

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COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, IS - C, DAYLET
INFORMATION FURNISHED BY [REDACTED] TODAY INDICATES THAT N.J. HAS
BEEN ASSESSED \$5000 BY THE NATIONAL ROSENBERG COMMITTEE AND
PLANS ARE BEING MADE TO HOLD A \$25 A PLATE DINNER AT THE ROBERT
TREAT HOTEL, NEWARK, MAY 3, 1953 FOR THE PURPOSE OF RAISING THIS
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NEW YORK, N.Y., April 9 -- The musical director of the National University of Mendoza in Argentina has composed songs for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, who are appealing their death sentence, and for their two children, Michael and Robbie, it was learned today by the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg case.

The composer, Juan Luka Bulegovic, sent copies of the songs to the Rosenbergs accompanied by a letter, which said in part:

"My heart is joined with your hearts that fight for goodness and human lives.

"Music is a universal language that attempts to unite men, signifies friendship and solidarity. It is aesthetic and expresses love. Always it battles against the vices that would convert honor among men.

"The ties that bind us, although we have never met, show that men of all opinions join in justice."

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CUBAN UNIONS, ARGENTINE NOTABLES

URGE ROSENBERG CLEMENCY

NEW YORK, N.Y., APRIL 8 — Leading trade unions of Cuba and prominent individuals and organizations in Argentina have urged President Eisenhower to grant clemency to Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, it was learned today by the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case.

Cablegrams were sent to the President by Cuba's Union of Textile Workers; Union of Weavers; Metal Workers Union; Barbers Union; Auto Workers; Laundry Workers; Furniture Workers; Hospital Workers; Liquor Workers; Transport Workers; Telephone Workers; and Graphic Arts Workers.

An appeal to Eisenhower was also sent by the Havana section of the Democratic Federation of Women.

In Argentina, those sending cables, messages and petitions to President Eisenhower included: The Argentinian Organization of Women; the Argentinian League for the Rights of Man; Jose Marial, dramatic critic, playwright and leader of the Independent Theater Movement; Horacio Klapencach, poet; Roberto Canda, journalist of the Institute of Economics; Maria Rosa Oliver, writer; Dr. Benson Drucaroff, scientist; and Augustin Cuzzani, attorney.

The Young Intellectuals of the Argentinian

House of Culture sent the following telegram to Eisenhower:

"We reject the injustice against the Rosenbergs. We believe that such an extreme penalty is contrary to the fundamental rights of man. The lack of evidence in the Rosenberg case moves us to repudiate most strongly this horrible sentence and we express our warmest solidarity with the victims."

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NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE,
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SAID AARON SNYDER PARENTHESIS PHONETIC PARENTHESIS WHO
IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONAL DIRECTOR
SPOKE TO GROUP. INFORMANT SAID SNYDER STATED HE HAD BEEN
TO BALTIMORE, LOS ANGELES, SAN FRANCISCO, AND PHILADELPHIA,
PENNSYLVANIA ON BEHALF OF ORGANIZATION [REDACTED]

SNYDER ALSO STATED HE HAD ENCOUNTERED A DEFEATIST

ATTITUDE WHEREVER HE WENT AND URGED BOSTON TO AVOID THIS PITFALL.
INFORMANT STATED THOSE PRESENT WERE URGED TO SEE THAT MORE
FUNDS WERE RAISED AND ADDITIONAL SIGNATURES OBTAINED FOR
AMICUS CURIAE BRIEF TO BE PRESENTED TO PRESIDENT EISENHOWER.

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CONCERNING REQUEST FROM NATIONAL OFFICE OF SUBJECT
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WASHINGTON COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE 820

On 3/22/53, [REDACTED] turned over to SA FRANCIS X. JAHN an envelope postmarked Washington, D.C. 3/14/53. The same contained a "Clemency News Letter", which is in printed form on yellow paper and issued by the Washington Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, 920 F St., N.W., Room 519, 3/12/53. This "News Letter" comments on the granting of a stay of execution by the Court of Appeals, and quotes part of the opinion of Judge LEONARD HAND and Judge JEROME FRANK. It also comments on the interest of Attorney JOHN FINERTY, a member of the American Civil Liberties Union, who has been associated years ago with the Sacco-Vanzetti and Mooney cases, and who has now decided to enter into the defense of the ROSENBERGS.

The "News Letter" points out that help is needed to insure new trial and urges the recipient to: (1) write to President EISENHOWER, urging reconsideration of the clemency issue; (2) Write to Attorney General BROWNELL, urging the Justice Department not to oppose the petition to the Supreme Court; (3) Sign and get others to sign the enclosed copy of the Amicus Brief to the Supreme Court - hundreds of thousands of signatures must be collected quickly; (4) Return the completed Amicus Brief to Room 519, 930 F St., N.W.

The "News Letter" then under the caption "More Legal Opinions", makes reference to a statement by Dr. ZACHARIAH CHAFFEE, Professor of Constitutional Law at Harvard University, as having said in a lecture "There is some doubt of their guilt. They should live...."

It is also stated that on 2/6/53 in a letter to the President from Honorable JAMES WOLFE, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Utah, Judge WOLFE said in part - "From the standpoint of justice, I think the conviction rests on too shaky a foundation".

Under the topic heading "Mystery of the French Rabbis Appeal", it is stated that the French ROSENBERG Committee reported that the Rabbinate of France appealed to President TRUMAN as far back as January 2 to grant clemency on religious and humane grounds. They never received an acknowledgment. When a delegation from the National Rosenberg Committee questioned Justice Department officials about this, they were told "It would take too long to discover whether the Department had ever received the appeal"

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cc New York (NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE) R.M.

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Under the heading "Clemency Dinner", it appears that the National Committee is holding a \$25.00 a plate dinner in New York on 3/18/53. Chairman of the affair is STEPHEN LOVE, prominent Catholic layman and Chairman of the Illinois Supreme Court Character and Fitness Committee. Among the distinguished guests will be SIDNEY SILVERMAN, Labor Member of the House of Commons, and Vice-Chairman of the World Jewish Congress. The dinner will focus wide public attention on the campaign for signatures on the Amicus Brief, as well as raise needed funds.

The "News Letter" concludes with a reiteration to remember the Amicus Brief, letters to the President, and the Attorney General, and contributions to broaden and continue the fight. Checks may be made out to JOSEPH BRANIN, Chairman of the National Committee, and sent to Room 519, 930 F St., N.W.

Also enclosed with the "Clemency News Letter" was a printed form of petition headed "Amicus Brief in the Rosenberg Case", and containing a statement that the undersigned authorizes the inclusion of the names in the Amicus Brief to the Supreme Court. A space is provided for the names and address of ten petition signers. The signed petition should be sent to the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, 1050 6th Ave., New York, N.Y.

The original exhibits referred to herein are being filed in [REDACTED]

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NEW YORK, N.Y.— Swedish artists, trade union leaders and women's organizations have sent delegations to the U. S. Embassy in Stockholm to demand clemency for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, it was learned today by the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case.

One delegation consisted of 73 of the nation's leading artists. Another group of 37 trade union officials visited the Embassy. Protests against the death sentence were also voiced to American representatives by a delegation from Swedish women's organizations.

"There has seldom been such a great campaign for individual personalities in this country," according to Dr. John Takman, one of the leaders in the Rosenberg clemency movement in Sweden.

"In all of Sweden meetings are being held. The Rosenberg case has become the concern of the rank and file of especially the trade unions, the workers' organizations and the women's clubs. Protests are voted, telegrams are sent, individual aerograms are written, and deputations to the Embassy are elected."

On March 15th a public meeting was held in Stockholm, with the Rev. Sven Hektor, chairman of the Swedish Rosenberg Committee, as one of the speakers.

In cities throughout the country men and women are going through their neighborhoods getting people to send appeals to President Eisenhower.

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Enclosed are two copies of a memorandum reflecting information concerning a recent meeting in New York City of the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case. The spelling of the names of the individuals referred to in the memo are informant's phonetic interpretation.

This information was received from a confidential source (name)

and extreme care should be used in reporting this information in order to fully protect her identity. This source is considered reliable but is not in a position to further clarify the information concerning the New York meeting as set forth in the enclosed memo.

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REPORT MADE AT MILWAUKEE, WIS.	DATE WHEN MADE 4/13/53	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3/23, 30, 31, 4/1, 2, 3, 8/53	REPORT MADE BY LORIN L. HEWITT psb
TITLE NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - C

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Reliable informants advise that the Milwaukee Rosenberg Committee, known as the Provisional Committee to Commute the Death Sentence For the Rosenbergs, is affiliated with the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, and at local level is a committee organized within and controlled by the Wisconsin Civil Rights Congress. Informants advise WCRC meetings regularly devoted to the Rosenberg cause. Committee officers identified as also members of the CP of Wisconsin. Committee activity consists largely of distribution of nationally and locally printed literature protesting the death sentence for the ROSENBERGS.

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DETAILS:

MILWAUKEE COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION AND GENERAL ACTIVITY

Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, on April 2, 1953 furnished the following information concerning the Milwaukee Rosenberg Committee which is known publicly as the "Provisional Committee to Commute the Death Sentence for the Rosenbergs."

He states that the Milwaukee Committee was formed during the summer of 1952 by JOSEPHINE NORDSTRAND, Executive Secretary of the Wisconsin Civil Rights Congress, and JOHN GILMAN, a member of the

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Wisconsin Civil Rights Congress. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Subsequently, the circulars and letters distributed by the committee bear the committee name, reflect JOHN GILMAN as chairman, and bear the address Post Office Box 1919, Milwaukee 1, Wisconsin. b7D

The Milwaukee Committee is affiliated with the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case. At the local level it is a group organized within and controlled by the Wisconsin Civil Rights Congress. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Distributions are made by members of the WCRC assigned to committee activity. b7D

Regular meetings of the WCRC have been devoted either wholly or partially to the ROSENBERG cause. GILMAN frequently submits oral progress reports, and it is at these meetings that current policies and activities are discussed and decided upon.

The informant is unable to definitely identify the members officially assigned to the committee other than set out under the heading Committee Members. [REDACTED] b7D

Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, confirmed the above information as furnished by T-1 and has previously furnished in substance the same information regarding the Milwaukee Rosenberg Committee.

The Wisconsin Civil Rights Congress is an affiliate of the Civil Rights Congress which has been cited by the Attorney General as a subversive organization coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

The Communist Party has been cited by the Attorney General as an organization coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

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MILWAUKEE ROSENBERG COMMITTEE OFFICERS

T-1 states that the following are the officers of the Milwaukee Rosenberg Committee;

JOHN GILMAN, Chairman, identified by Confidential Informant T-3 as a member of the Communist Party in 1949;

JAMES KNOX, Secretary, identified by Confidential Informant T-4 as a member of the Communist Party in 1946.

MEMBERS OF THE MILWAUKEE ROSENBERG COMMITTEE

T-1 states that the following persons have been known by him to have regularly participated in Rosenberg Committee activities:

PERRY LOVE, identified by Confidential Informant T-5 as honorary chairman of the North Side Branch of the Wisconsin Civil Rights Congress in 1951;

YOZZIE DICKERSON, identified by T-2 as recording secretary of the Wisconsin Civil Rights Congress in 1953;

BETTY TROKAN, identified by T-4 as a member of the Communist Party in 1946.

MEETINGS

[REDACTED] He states that these meetings were concerned with the reading of leaflets and bulletins and in making preparations for distributing of literature. b2

[REDACTED] b2

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T-2 recalled [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] the following persons met in order to discuss the Rosenberg Case activity: b7D

JAMES DOLSON, who has been indicted under the Smith Act of 1940 at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania;

JOHN GILMAN;

JOSEPHINE NORDSTRAND;

NELS CHRISTIENSEN, identified by T-4 as a member of the Communist Party in 1946.

[REDACTED] He states that discussions were conducted relative to policies and activities of the Milwaukee Committee. b7D

[REDACTED] at which the principal topic for discussion concerned President EISENHOWER's announcement that he would not extend executive clemency to the ROSENBERGS. NORDSTRAND advised that in view of this situation, all major WCRC work in this area would be suspended and every member would be expected to devote full time to Rosenberg activity. b7D

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T-4 is an anonymous source.				
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REFERENCE

Report of SA LORIN L. HEWITT dated February 1, 1953 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Report of SA HOWARD FLETCHER, JR. dated February 6, 1953 at Washington, D. C.

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COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, ALSO KNOWN AS
COMMITTEE FOR CLEMENCY FOR THE ROSENBERGS, IS - C, DAYLET.

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT [REDACTED] OF KNOWN RELIABILITY, REPORTED **b-2**
TODAY THAT LEWIS MOROZE, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE NEW JERSEY
CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS HAS SENT OUT AND CHARGED TO THE N.J. CRC
WESTERN UNION TELEGRAMS TO N.J. REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ROSENBERG
CLEMENCY COMMITTEE THE FOLLOWING TELEGRAM: ROSENBERG DEFENSE
REQUIRES ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS QUICKLY. N.J. SPONSOR
\$25 PLATE DINNER HOTEL ROBERT TREAT, NEWARK, SUNDAY, MAY 3, 1953,
7 P.M. RUSH TONIGHT NAMES AND ADDRESSES PROSPECTS YOUR AREA.
SIGNED LEONARD TUSHNET, 572 PROSPECT ST., MAPLEWOOD, N.J.

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Future reports in the captioned matter should
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On 4/1/53 Philadelphia Confidential Informant [redacted] of known reliability, furnished SA ROBERT F. JACOBS with the following information. Informant's written report is maintained in Philadelphia file [redacted] 070

On 3/27/53 the Philadelphia Branch of captioned organization held a meeting at the Essex Hotel, Philadelphia, Pa. Speaker for the event was one AARON SCHNEIDER who was introduced as the National Executive Secretary of the Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case. SCHNEIDER, in his speech, described a dinner recently held by captioned organization in New York City, and discussed at some length the various speeches made at this dinner. SCHNEIDER described the affair in New York City as successful.

SCHNEIDER stated that the Rosenberg Committee was planning to hold an affair at Triborough Stadium in New York City, at which time 24,000 persons are expected to be present. He advised other affairs are planned to raise money, as money running into six figures was needed to pay for private investigations being conducted to uncover new information in the case. SCHNEIDER did not further describe this new information. SCHNEIDER stated in his speech that he travelled all around the country, and the national response of this liberal movement is very good. He described the two best cities as Chicago and San Francisco. The informant advised he understood SCHNEIDER to state that San Francisco had 250 local groups of captioned organization. The informant was unable to further explain this statement by SCHNEIDER.

In connection with literature, SCHNEIDER stated the collected letters of the ROSENBERGS will be put on sale shortly with the proceeds to go to the ROSENBERG children; also a trial record will be published and sold for \$10.00, and further that another book concerning the ROSENBERGS was to be published shortly.

The above is furnished for the information of interested offices.

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Committee To Secure Justice In The Rosenberg Case

**PRESS RELEASE
FOR RELEASE ON:**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6TH

Joseph Brainin,
Chairman
David Almon,
Executive Secretary

CUBAN UNIONS, ARGENTINE NOTABLES

URGE ROSENBERG CLEMENCY

246 Fifth Avenue
Room 441
New York 1, N. Y.
Call Murray Hill 4-7140

NEW YORK, N.Y., APRIL 6 -- Leading trade unions of Cuba and prominent individuals and organizations in Argentina have urged President Eisenhower to grant clemency to Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, it was learned today by the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case.

Cablegrams were sent to the President by Cuba's Union of Textile Workers; Union of Weavers; Metal Workers Union; Barbers Union; Auto Workers; Laundry Workers; Furniture Workers; Hospital Workers; Liquor Workers; Transport Workers; Telephone Workers; and Graphic Arts Workers.

An appeal to Eisenhower was also sent by the Havana section of the Democratic Federation of Women.

In Argentina, those sending cables, messages and petitions to President Eisenhower included: the Argentinian Organization of Women; the Argentinian League

for the Rights of Man; Jose Marial, dramatic critic, playwright and leader of the Independent Theater Movement; Horacio Klapenbach, poet; Roberto Canda, journalist of the Institute of Economics; Maria Rosa Oliver, writer; Dr. Hanson Drucaroff, scientist; and Augustin Cuzzani, attorney.

The Young Intellectuals of the Argentinian House of Culture sent the following telegram to Eisenhower:

"We reject the injustice against the Rosenbergs. We believe that such an extreme penalty is contrary to the fundamental rights of man. The lack of evidence in the Rosenberg case moves us to repudiate most strongly this horrible sentence and we express our warmest solidarity with the victims."

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TO : SAC

DATE: April 15, 1953

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DAVID ALMAN
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NEW YORK, N.Y., April 9 -- The musical director of the National University of Mendoza in Argentina has composed songs for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, who are appealing their death sentence, and for their two children, Michael and Robbie, it was learned today by the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg case.

The composer, Juan Luka Bulegovic, sent copies of the songs to the Rosenbergs accompanied by a letter, which said in part:

"My heart is joined with your hearts that fight for goodness and human lives.

"Music is a universal language that attempts to unite men, signifies friendship and solidarity. It is aesthetic and expresses love. Always it battles against the vices that would convert honor among men.

"The ties that bind us, although we have never met, show that men of all opinions join in justice."

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FROM : SA J. J. FEEHLEY
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JOSEPH BRAININ
Chairman

DAVID ALMAN
Executive Secretary

CATHOLIC BISHOP, ANGLICAN DEAN,
RABBI IN BRITISH APPEAL FOR
ROSENBERG CLEMENCY

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NEW YORK, N.Y., APRIL 18T-- A Roman Catholic Bishop, an Anglican Dean, and a Reform Rabbi of England have joined with other prominent British leaders in an appeal to President Eisenhower for clemency for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, it was announced today by the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg case.

The appeal was signed by His Excellency, the Most Reverend Henry Vincent, Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Manchester and Salford; The Very Reverend J. L. Wilson, Dean of the Manchester Cathedral of the Established Church of England; and Rabbi R. Selwin Goldberg, Rabbi of the Reform Community in Manchester.

Their letter urged that the lives of the Rosenbergs be spared "in the interests of humanity."

Also joining in the appeal were prominent British professional and trade union leaders, including Philip K. Oliver, former member of Parliament and former president of the Council for Civil Liberties; H. E. Newbold, secretary of the Manchester and Salford Trades Council; Sir Henry Platt, Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons; Dorothy N. Dunst, professor of philosophy; A. C. MacIntyre, lecturer of philosophy; L. Rosenfeld, professor of physics; Maurice P. Parisier and T. Collins, Manchester City Councillors; Marie Nahum, leader in the National Women's Zionist Movement, and Dr. S. H. Bervitz, well known medical practitioner.

AIR-TEL

NY, 4/16/53

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NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE,
IS-C. THE BUREAU IS ADVISED THAT THE AGENT TO WHOM THIS CASE
IS ASSIGNED HAS BEEN ENGAGED RECENTLY IN CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS
IN THE CASE OF "JULIUS ROSENBERG, ET AL, ESP-R." THE SUMMARY
REP HAS BEEN COMPLETED EXCEPT FOR THE DOCUMENTATION OF INFORMANTS
AND SOME MINOR ADDITIONS. THIS REP WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE
BUREAU WITHOUT FAIL DURING THE WEEK OF 4/20/53.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: 4-17-53

FROM : SA, E.L. Deane

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NEW EVIDENCE

SUPPORTS ROSENBERG

CHARGE OF PERJURY

NEW YORK, APRIL 15th—Evidence that supports Julius and Ethel Rosenberg's contention about a vital point in their trial and casts additional doubts upon their conviction has become available, the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case announced today.

Investigation of the console table, which the prosecution claimed was an expensive piece of furniture given to the Rosenbergs by the Russians and hollowed out for secret microfilm work, shows conclusively that the table was just an ordinary piece bought on sale at Macy's as the Rosenbergs had testified under oath.

An affidavit obtained from a staff member of H. H. Macy after an examination of photographs of the table states that the markings found on the table are those of Macy's.

The markings, "N N 4046-760-F4-1997" were explained in the affidavit as follows: "N N" means Macy's occasional furniture department.

"4046" is the pattern number assigned by the Brandt Manufacturing Company to the style table in the year 1944.

"760" means the Brandt Manufacturing Company Cabinet Works of Hagerstown, Md. "F4" is a symbol of a Macy season; "F4" was last used as a symbol in the fall season of 1936. The photographs show this symbol could be read either as "F4" or "E4". The latter was last used as a symbol in the early part of 1944. The use of "E4" would be consistent with the manufacturer's pattern number. "1997" is Macy's retail selling price of \$19.97.

During the trial Julius Rosenberg said he bought the table in 1944 or 1945 and paid about \$21 for it. Add the 2% sales tax to the \$19.97 marked on the table and the

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total comes to \$20.37. This flatly contradicts the statement of U.S. Attorney General Irving Saypol to the effect that "you couldn't buy a console table in Macy's if they had it, in 1944 and 1945, for less than \$85."

Both David Greenglass, without whose testimony the Rosenbergs could not have been convicted, and Ruth Greenglass, his wife, testified under oath that the Rosenbergs reported getting the table from the Russians.

The Justice Department never offered the table as evidence to support the charges. Photographs of other tables which were admitted by the prosecution never to have been in the Rosenberg home were introduced and the witness was asked to state which one most closely resembled the Rosenberg table.

EXCERPTS FROM AFFIDAVIT OF A STAFF MEMBER OF R. H. MACY

On March 14, 1953, there was submitted to me for observation and examination, certain photographs of a console table, depicting various views of the same and parts of the same. I have marked each of these photographs with my signature; there are a total of six photographs and I have marked them "A" to "F", both inclusive.

I make the following statement voluntarily and based upon what I observed from the said photographs. I am assuming that the photographs and the markings as shown on the console table, are genuine:

(a) The table is a type and style which was handled and sold by Macy's in the furniture and occasional furniture department. It is possible that Macy's handled and sold the particular table shown in these photographs during the years 1944 and 1945.

(b) The markings on the table are not in sufficient detail for me to state that Macy's handled or sold this particular table or this type or style of table during any particular year.

(c) The table would appear to have been manufactured by the Brandt Manufacturing Company and the markings "N E 4046-760-P4-1997" on the under side of the table would indicate the following information:

"N E" means Macy's occasional furniture department

"4046" is the pattern number assigned by Brandt Manufacturing Company to this style in the year 1940

"760" means the Brandt Manufacturing Company Cabinet Works of Hagerstown, Md.

"P4" is a symbol of a Macy season; "P4" was last used as a symbol in the fall season of 1936; however, "E4" was last used as a symbol in the early part of 1944. A view of photographs of "E" and "F", which are close-ups, show that the seasonal symbol could be read as either "P4" or "E4". The use of "E4" would be consistent with the manufacturer's pattern number.

"1997" is Macy's retail selling price of \$19.97.

(d) This console table was one of the lower priced tables sold in Macy's furniture department sometime during or subsequent to the year 1944, if the symbol "E4" is correct.

(The name of the signer has been deleted and will be made public at the proper time)

OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: 4-17-53

FROM : SA, J.J. Feehaley

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SUBJECT: Committee to Secure Justice in the
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J. A. H. [signature]

Committee To Secure Justice In The Rosenberg Case

PRESS RELEASE
FOR RELEASE
TUESDAY, APRIL 14

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ROSENBERG STREET MEETINGS

SCHEDULED TO BOOST

RANDALL'S ISLAND RALLY

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NEW YORK, N.Y., April 14-- The first in a series of six street meetings to be held within the next week in the garment, fur, and clothing districts on the case of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg will take place at noon tomorrow (Wednesday) at 15th Street and Fifth Avenue.

The meetings, sponsored by the New York Committee for Clemency for the Rosenbergs, have been scheduled in connection with the forthcoming rally to be held at Randall's Island Stadium Sunday afternoon April 26.

Speakers from the committee and from trade unions will discuss the importance of the Randall's Island Rally and speak on the facts in the case that has stirred millions of people throughout the world.

The schedule for the other street meetings, all of which begin at noon, is as follows: Thursday, April 16, at 29th St. and 7th Avenue; Friday April 17, at 38th St. and 7th Avenue; Tuesday, April 21, at 15th St. and 5th Avenue; Wednesday, April 22, at 19th St. and 7th Ave.; and Thursday, April 23, at 38th St. and 7th Avenue.

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"ROSENBERG STORY"

TO STAR CAST OF 500

AT RANDALL'S ISLAND RALLY

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NEW YORK, N.Y., APRIL 12 -- A cast of 500, including choral groups and professional stage, screen and radio performers will be featured in "The Rosenberg Story", the dramatic spectacle to highlight the world's largest Rosenberg clemency rally at Randall's Island Stadium on Sunday afternoon, April 26.

The presentation, to be in the form of a living newspaper, will dramatize the two-year efforts of people in the United States and throughout the world to save the lives of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, who are appealing their death sentence on charges of conspiracy to commit espionage.

Top-flight writers have created an original script portraying through narrative, drama and song, the outstanding moments of the dramatic movement that has thus far succeeded in staying the execution of the East Side couple.

Re-enacted in the living newspaper will be the outstanding trial scenes where the legal battle to reverse the Rosenbergs' conviction were fought out, as well as the clemency and prayer vigils that took place in Washington and all over the world.

The cast will include many who took part in the clemency

Page 2.

Another aspect of "The Rosenberg Story" will be the participation of the audience in the portrayal, as well as in helping to build new strength to the Rosenberg campaign. The hour-long spectacle will employ a wide variety of theatrical techniques carried out by leading people in the field.

After the Randall's Island meeting, the script will be made available for production at other large Rosenberg meetings expected to take place in cities throughout the United States and abroad. The New York Committee for Clemency for the Rosenbergs, which is sponsoring the rally, plans to film the drama.

The condemned couple appealed to the High Court after the Circuit Court of Appeals in New York had granted a stay of execution to allow the appeal to be made.

At that time, Circuit Court Justice Jerome N. Frank, declared: "There are substantial questions of law. I would not want to preclude their right to appeal to the Supreme Court. I would not want that on my conscience."

Tickets for the Randall's Island meeting are priced at \$1.00 and can be obtained from the New York Committee to Secure Justice for the Rosenbergs, 1050 Sixth Avenue, N.Y.C., 18, N.Y. The phone number is BRyant 9-9694/

The meeting is scheduled for 2 P.M. In case of rain, it will be held the following Sunday. Free admission is provided for all under 16, with special facilities available for children. There is also free parking.

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NEWARK, N.J.

4/17/53

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DIRECTOR, FBI

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, IS - C,
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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT [REDACTED] OF KNOWN RELIABILITY, REPORTS **b-2**
THAT LEWIS MOROZE, OF N.J. CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS, AND MEMBERS
OF THE N.J. COMMITTEE TO SECURE CLEMENCY FOR THE ROSENBERGS
ACTIVELY ATTEMPTING TO SECURE LARGE N.J. DELEGATION AT ROSENBERG
CLEMENCY RALLY TO BE HELD RANDALL'S ISLAND STADIUM, NEW YORK,
APRIL 28, 1953. INFORMANT INDICATES THAT IT HAS BEEN SUGGESTED
THAT DR. LEO A. TUSENET, CHAIRMAN OF THE N.J. COMMITTEE, ARRANGE
A PERSONAL INTERVIEW WITH EDITOR OF NEWARK NEWS FOR THE PURPOSE
OF INVITING HIM TO THE ROSENBERG RALLY AS A GUEST. IT IS BELIEVED
THAT OTHERS OF PROMINENCE IN N.J. WILL ALSO BE INVITED.
IT IS THE IMPRESSION OF THE INFORMANT THAT THE N.J. COMMITTEE
BELIEVES ANYONE ATTENDING THIS RALLY WILL BE IMPRESSED BY THE
SPEAKER PROFESSOR STEPHEN LOVE OF CHICAGO AND THE DRAMATIC
PRESENTATION OF THE "ROSENBERG STORY". REGARDING A PROPOSED
\$25 A PLATE DINNER TO BE HELD NEWARK MAY 3, 1953 FOR THE
ROSENBERGS, N.J. COMMITTEE EXPECTS OVER 200 TO ATTEND THIS AFFAIR.
LETTER INVITATIONS TO THIS DINNER BEING SENT TO 600 PERSONS BELIEVED

BY THE COMMITTEE TO BE INTERESTED.

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ADVISED SA JOHN M. DE BETTENCOURT ON APRIL SEVENTEEN, FIFTYTHREE,
THAT THE LOCAL COMMITTEE OF CAPTIONED ORGANIZATION HAD ORDERED
ONE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED TICKETS TO QUOTE GRANT CLEFENCY UNQUOTE
CONCERT, LES PINE, NOTED ENTERTAINER, SONGS, DRAMATIC PRESENTATION,
ODD FELLOWS HALL, NINTH AND T STREETS, N. W., SUNDAY, MAY TEN,
NINETEEN FIFTYTHREE, EIGHT FIFTEEN PM., ADMISSION ONE DOLLAR PAREN
INCLUDING TAX END PAREN, SPONSORED BY WASHINGTON COMMITTEE TO SECURE
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COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, IS - C, DAYLET.

PH-82-S* HAS ADVISED THAT PHILA. CHAPTER OF CAPTIONED COMMITTEE HAS
CHARTERED A BUS TO TRANSPORT GROUP FROM PHILA. AREA TO RANDALL'S
ISLAND, N.Y., FOR PURPOSE OF ATTENDING CLEMENCY RALLY FOR ROSENBERGS
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TO : SAC

FROM : SA E. K. DEANE

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
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Committee To Secure Justice In The Rosenberg Case

PRESS RELEASE
FOR RELEASE ON:
SUNDAY, APRIL 19TH

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ROSENBERG SURVEY SEES
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NEW YORK, N.Y., APRIL 19th--A nation-wide

survey made this week indicates that the Randall's Island Rosenberg Rally next SUNDAY afternoon, April 26, will usher in a period of intensive clemency activity throughout the country.

The rally, sponsored by the New York Committee for Clemency for the Rosenbergs, will feature among the speakers, Prof. Stephan Love, noted legal authority of Chicago, Ill., in addition to a dramatic presentation entitled "The Rosenberg Story".

The survey, conducted by the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, showed a heightened public interest in the case as a result of local committees having brought to their communities newly uncovered evidence of perjury and fraud in the Rosenberg trial.

The campaign for clemency in the Los Angeles area was found to be one of the strongest in the country. For example, in the past few weeks the number of chain letters being circulated to ask signatures for clemency reached 85,000.

The Los Angeles Rosenberg activities also include formation of some 157 committees in surrounding towns and cities, tables in a number of union halls at which signatures are being solicited for the friend-of-the-court brief, as well as independent Rosenberg committees of students.

The hundreds of Rosenberg groups formed throughout the country have been bolstered by ten new committees in the last few weeks in the West, the Mid-West, and North East, bringing the number of city-wide Rosenberg committees to more than 40.

One of the groups--in South Bend, Indiana--was organized after a letter was circulated by Circuit Court Judge Norval E. Harris; John T.

Willard B. Ransom, prominent Indiana Negro leader; and Maurice Tulchinsky, a former States Attorney.

In New Jersey organized committees now exist in 13 cities throughout the state. Over 100,000 pieces of literature on the Rosenberg case have been distributed state-wide, while ads urging clemency have appeared in 17 daily and weekly newspapers.

A greater emphasis by the Rosenberg Committee on reaching working people has resulted in the distribution in the past two weeks of over 100,000 leaflets at factory gates. Reports show that the leaflets have been very well received and many requests for more information were made.

Another indication of the growth of the clemency movement has been the demand by attorneys, churchmen, and citizens of all walks of life for the trial transcript of the case.

The first edition of the court record, which sold for \$10 per set was completely sold out. A second edition is now being sold by the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case. Because of the unprecedented large sales, it was possible to reduce the price to \$6.

The desire of millions of Americans for clemency is also reflected in countless "letters to the editor" appearing in daily and weekly newspapers across the country.

A large ad urging clemency appeared this week in the Boston Globe under auspices of the Boston Committee to Secure Clemency in the Rosenberg Case.

A number of committees have also succeeded in getting radio time to bring the facts of the Rosenberg case before the people.

The Clemency Dinner, held recently in New York, has spurred committees in other sections of the country to plan similar dinners in their cities and states.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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FROM : SA J. J. FREELEY

SUBJECT: MURIEL I. SYMINGTON
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DATE: April 21, 1953

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100-9137

cc: 100-14419 (FRED. V. FIELD) (PHOTOSTAT)

100-107111 (NAT'L. COMM. TO SECURE JUSTICE
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE) (PHOTOSTAT)

310 Windsor Place

Brooklyn 18. N.Y.

February 18, 1953

Dear Fred:

As you already know, a happy respite has been won for the Rosenbergs. But their devoted and brilliant attorney, Emanuel Bloch, faces a problem which makes it necessary to raise as much money as possible, as quickly as possible, through gifts or loans. The sum of \$1,000.

The Romanbergs are the parents of two little boys. No matter what the fate of their parents -- execution or clemency with incarceration -- in all these little folks will be economic orphans.

There has been compiled a selection from the many letters exchanged between Ethel and Julius Rosenberg. The manuscript is all ready to go to the printer, but funds are totally lacking. We know that this project will be self liquidating. Once distribution and sale are achieved, the first money accruing will be used to reimburse those who have not found it possible to lend their support with gifts, but with loans.

These letters are not merely moving, they magnificently reveal the quality of this couple. Regardless of any a priori conclusions, any abnormally perceptive person could read them without being convinced that it would be a PSYCHOLOGICAL IMPOSSIBILITY for two persons of such high quality as these letters reveal, to have been guilty of the crime with which they are charged.

Therefore, the printing and circulation of this correspondence will accomplish three things: it will raise desperately needed funds for the support of two helpless children; it will open the eyes of many people who hitherto have been unmoved or hostile, and inspire them to open heart and pocketbook on behalf of these fellow Americans; and, for two anxious, devoted parents it will be immeasurable comfort to know that those they love share our concern.

“We wait in the dimness of gathering doom. We wait and we hope, and we do not lose faith that the sun still shines in the land of our birth -- the sweat-land of liberty -- this America.” -- [Ethel.]

Thanks to your efforts, "dies irae" has been postponed for them -- for always, we hope, and now may you feel impelled to reinforce this comfort with the happiness of realizing that our solidarity extends to Michael and Robert in whom their dear, I hope, rest.

Share in This

Whether your cash represents a gift or a loan, please make it payable to Emanuel Bloch, Trustee -- 401 Broadway, New York City. Please be sure, however, to specify whether this is a loan or gift.

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NEW YORK, N.Y., APRIL 17 -- A couple in Holland have named their new-born daughter after Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, learned today.

Amidst widespread demands for clemency throughout Holland, Mr. and Mrs. Van Haaren of the Hague named their daughter, born on March 6th, "Ethel Julia", combining the names of the couple condemned to death for "conspiracy to commit espionage."

The Hague Committee for the Defense of the Rosenbergs reported that the couple decided upon the name after reading one of the letters that Julius Rosenberg wrote to his wife in the death cell. The letter, written after the last visit of the Rosenberg children to their parents in the Death House at Sing Sing, read in part:

"Oh, dearest, it was wonderful, despite the anxious atmosphere to live together again as one happy family and this is worth any sacrifice for it is true love of family....."

"The boys are making much progress, Michael is doing much better and I am convinced our little baby needs a great deal of help.. I got the feeling there is too much of a burden on their young minds. The sweet memory of the smile, the kiss, the gay laughter and the young voices still pleasures the hours of my loneliness."

The Hague committee reports that delegations have visited Dutch Premier William Drees with demands for clemency from thousands of organizations and outstanding individuals of Holland.

The action of the Hague couple and the visits to Premier Drees were only a few of the many recent expressions for clemency abroad. Many more will be made public at the Rosenberg Clemency Rally to be held in New York at Randall's Island Stadium on Sunday, April 26th, at 2:00 P.M.

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TO : SAC

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Committee To Secure Justice In The Rosenberg Case

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ROSENBERG STREET MEETINGS

SCHEDULED TO BOOST

RANDALL'S ISLAND RALLY

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NEW YORK, N.Y., April 14-- The first in a series of six street meetings to be held within the next week in the garment, fur, and clothing districts on the case of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg will take place at noon tomorrow (Wednesday) at 15th Street and Fifth Avenue.

The meetings, sponsored by the New York Committee for Clemency for the Rosenbergs, have been scheduled in connection with the forthcoming rally to be held at Randall's Island Stadium Sunday afternoon April 26.

Speakers from the committee and from trade unions will discuss the importance of the Randall's Island Rally and speak on the facts in the case that has stirred millions of people throughout the world.

The schedule for the other street meetings, all of which begin at noon, is as follows: Thursday, April 16, at 29th St. and 7th Avenue; Friday April 17 at 38th St. and 7th Avenue; Tuesday, April 21, at 15th St. and 5th Avenue; Wednesday, April 22, at 19th St. and 7th Ave.; and Thursday, April 23, at 38th St. and 7th Avenue.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

FROM : SA E. K. DEANE

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
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TO PREVENT DEATH ON "TECHNICALITY"

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NEW YORK, N.Y., APRIL 20th -- More than 20,000 Americans have petitioned the U.S. Supreme Court to order a new trial for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

The National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case announced today that a brief, accompanied by amicus briefs bearing more than 20,000 signatures gathered during the last three weeks, has been submitted to the High Court.

The Committee expects two to three times this number of signatures, but it was felt necessary to submit those already on hand so they would be called to the immediate attention of the Supreme Court, which is now considering the Rosenberg case.

The government, in its reply to the Rosenberg appeal to the High Court, had claimed it was "too late" to grant the Rosenbergs a new trial.

"In support of this petition", the amicus brief argued, "we present the uncertainty and doubt which would afflict millions and would persist for the years to come if Ethel and Julius Rosenberg should go to their deaths on the basis of a legal technicality, when the Court of Appeals of the Second Circuit has expressed the opinion that had defendant's counsel moved for a mistrial during the course of the trial it should or might have been granted."

The brief was submitted by Royal W. France, attorney, Signing in behalf of the 20,000 petitioners were Joseph Brainin, chairman of the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case; Emily Alman, executive secretary of the New York Clemency Committee; and Dr. Leonard Tushnet of New Jersey.

The accompanying amicus briefs, signed by persons petitioning as friends of the court because they believe an important principle is at stake, declared;

"We believe that the trial of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg and Morton Sobell on a charge of conspiring to commit espionage which resulted in death sentences for the Rosenbergs and a 30 year sentence for their co-defendant, lacked guarantees of fairness which all Americans have a right to expect under the Constitution.

"The U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals has called the Prosecutor's conduct "reprehensible." Justice Jerome N. Frank stated, there are substantial questions of law. I would certainly not want to preclude their appeal to the Supreme Court. - I would not want that to be on my conscience.

"The F.B.I. admitted on December 2, 1952, that an important witness committed perjury under oath. Scientists all over the world call into doubt the scientific value of the alleged evidence and its credibility.

"We believe that transient political and social passions have no place in our courts; and to deprive even one American of the right to a fair trial is to injure the rights of all Americans.

"We therefore authorize the inclusion of our names in an Amicus Brief to the Supreme Court of the United States, petitioning that the verdict be set aside, and that new trial be ordered based on Constitutional guarantees of impartiality and fairness in accordance with the best traditions of American justice."

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York

FROM : Director, FBI (100-7250)

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST FRONT ORGANIZATIONS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

DATE: April 22, 1953

The Department has advised that in connection with procedures presently being outlined for the revision of Executive Order 9835, the cases pertaining to all organizations which have been cited under Executive Order 9835 will be re-examined.

The basic purpose in revising this order is to afford these organizations opportunities for hearings before they are again cited under the revised Executive Order.

The Department has not yet outlined the precise nature of the proof it will require nor the procedural steps to be followed in connection with these hearings. However, advice has been received that the following organizations will be among the first to be considered under the revised Executive Order:

American Association of Scientific Workers
American Committee for the Settlement of Jews
in Biro-Bidjen
American Committee to Survey Labor Conditions
in Europe
American Labor Party
American Veterans for Peace
American Peace Crusade
American Women for Peace
Bulgarian-American People's League
China Welfare Appeal, Inc.
Labor League for Peace
Methodist Federation for Social Action
National Association of Mexican Americans
National Committee to Secure Justice in the
Rosenberg Case
National Committee to Win Amnesty for Smith
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National Negro Labor Council
Peace Information Center
Progressive Party
Rumanian-American Cultural Committee

It is the Department's desire that it be prepared to present to hearing officers information concerning the Communist control or domination of these organizations in the event it is determined that they warrant citation under the aforementioned program.

It will be the responsibility of the appropriate office of origin to insure that sufficient attention is given each of the above-listed cases in order that the Bureau will be in a position to meet the Department's requirements in this matter.

It will be noted that in connection with several of the above-listed organizations, prosecutive summary reports have already been prepared in connection with possible proceedings against these organizations under the provisions of the Internal Security Act of 1950. With regard to the remaining organizations, although no request has been received from the Department to date for prosecutive summary reports, you are instructed to commence the preparation of such reports. In this regard, you should adhere to the standards set forth in connection with those organizations being considered under the Internal Security Act of 1950. For your assistance in this regard, you are referred to SAC Letter No. 111-51, attached to which is an outline setting forth the proper form in which reports of this nature should be prepared. Your attention is further directed to SAC Letter 111-52, Section A, entitled "Investigation of Communist Front Organizations." You will also find it extremely helpful to make full use of the Panel Program as set forth in SAC Letter No. 71-52.

In connection with any of the above-listed organizations which are now defunct, you should immediately advise the Bureau of the identity of these organizations together with the date when they went out of existence.

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[REDACTED] ADVISED LAST NIGHT THAT CAPTIONED ORGANIZATION [REDACTED]

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AT THIS LUNCHLON WILL BE YURI SUHL, AUTHOR, AND HELEN SOBEL, WIFE OF
MORTON SOBEL, DEFENDANT IN ROSENBERG CASE.

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DICTION OF SUMMARY REPORT HAS BEEN COMPLETED. REPORT WILL BE SUBMITTED
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Einstein and Urey Voice Doubt In Rosenberg Case

N. Y. Times, Jan. 13, 1953

Prof. Albert Einstein, the venerable mathematician who lives in Princeton, N. J., announced that he had written the President Monday asking for mercy. His note said:

"Dear Mr. President:

"My conscience compels me to urge you to commute the death sentence of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg.

"This appeal to you is prompted by the same reasons which were set forth so convincingly by my distinguished colleague, Harold C. Urey, in his letter of Jan. 6, 1953, to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

"Respectfully yours,
"ALBERT EINSTEIN"

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DR. HAROLD C. UREY Nobel Prize Winner, Nuclear Scientist

TO THE EDITOR OF THE NEW YORK TIMES:

After reading the testimony of the Rosenberg case I find that I cannot put to rest my doubts about the verdict and wish to cite the following points:

(1) Max Elitcher's testimony is of doubtful value. He says that he and Julius talked about espionage but never transferred any information for some five years. This doesn't seem probable to me.

(2) No certain conspiracy between Sobell and Rosenberg is established.

(3) The connections to others than Ruth and David Greenglass are not established. Miss Bentley was unable to identify the telephone voice that said, "This is Julius" with the voice of Julius Rosenberg. If "Julius" did not refer to him in this case, it probably did not when Harry Gold said, "I come from Julius" when he met Greenglass in New Mexico. From Gold's testimony it seems that he knew nothing of Rosenberg at all. It seems unbelievable to me that the name of an arch conspirator would be used in such identification phrases.

(4) No contact between the Rosenbergs and Anatoli A. Yakovlev is established.

(5) The Government's case rests on the testimony of Ruth and David Greenglass. He had pleaded guilty, but had not been sentenced and hoped for clemency. She has never been charged and tried, obviously it seems as a reward for her testimony. A family feud between the Greenglasses and Rosenbergs existed because of a business altercation. The Rosenbergs' testimony flatly contradicted that of the Greenglasses.

not had the jurors' advantage of hearing and seeing the witnesses. Is it customary for spies to be paid in wrist watches and console tables? Greenglass and Fuchs were paid in cash. The Rosenbergs appear to have been as poor as churchmice and the statement that Julius was spend-\$50 or \$75 a night in night clubs seems to me to be a very doubtful one. Had he done this, he would have been obviously and unaccountably rich to all his associates.

However, even if the verdict is correct, I am amazed at the unequal punishment for the same crime. For the very same conspiracy Ruth Greenglass was never brought to trial, though she admitted her guilt on the witness stand; David Greenglass got fifteen years; Morton Sobell and Harry Gold got thirty years, and Ethel and Julius Rosenberg got death. Only the last two took the witness stand and maintained their innocence. If capital punishment is to be given in the future for espionage I should like to have it introduced in a case for which the evidence rests on the testimony of witnesses who did not stand to profit from their testimony. I do not regard self-confessed criminals as reliable witnesses.

We are engaged in a cold war with the tyrannical Government of the U.S.S.R. We wish to win the approval and loyalty of the good people of the world. Would it not be embarrassing if, after the execution of the Rosenbergs, it could be shown that the United States had executed two innocent people and let a guilty one go completely free? And, remember, somewhere there is a representative of the U.S.S.R. who knows what the facts are.

Testimony of Rosenbergs

I strongly urge a careful reconsideration.

See

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Cast of 50

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NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE,
IS DASH C. DAYLET. [REDACTED] TRIBORO

STADIUM, RANDALLS, ISLAND, NY, ADVISED ROSENBERG RALLY SCHEDULED
FOR 4/26/53 CANCELLED 10 A.M. 4/26/53 BY PETER RAWLEY OF
SUBJECT COMMITTEE DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER. RALLY NOW
SCHEDULED FOR REARRANGED OPTIONAL DATE 5/3/53 AT 2 P.M.

[REDACTED] ADVISED ON BASIS OF HIS EXPERIENCE WITH VARIOUS
STADIUM EVENTS THE NUMBER OF TELEPHONIC INQUIRIES REGARDING
POSTPONEMENT WOULD INDICATE ATTENDANCE BETWEEN 10 AND 12,000
RATHER THAN CAPACITY AS EXPECTED BY RAWLEY. [REDACTED] FURNISHED
PROGRAM INDICATING INVOCATION BY RABBI DR. MEYER SHARFF PLAY
"THE ROSENBERG STORY" AND SPEAKERS PROFESSOR STEPHEN LOVE,
MRS. JOSEPHINE GRANAT, MR. JOSEPH BRADEIN, MRS. EMILY ALMAN AND
OTHERS. [REDACTED] COMMENTED THAT NYC OMNIBUS CORP. INDICATED THAT
THEY WERE ENCOUNTERING DIFFICULTY IN SECURING DRIVERS TO HANDLE
NECESSARY LINES. [REDACTED]

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, NYC, ADVISED SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME AS ABOVE,
ADDING THAT THOUGH WEATHER HAD CLEARED IT WAS RAINING AT 10 A.M.

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AND HAD PREVENTED SOME OF THEIR EXPECTED SPEAKERS FROM
ARRIVING. [REDACTED] NOTED THAT HAWLEY WAS WITHIN RIGHT OF
AGREEMENT BY CANCELLING, HOWEVER, AND ADDED THAT HIS ESTIMATE
OF PROBABLE ATTENDANCE WAS BETWEEN 8 AND 9,000. COPY OF
PROGRAM WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE BUREAU. 070

BOARDMAN

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-387835)

4/27/53

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NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN
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Enclosed is a souvenir program of the meeting that was originally scheduled at Randall's Island Triboro Stadium for 4/26/53 which has been postponed until 5/3/53. This meeting will be covered and the Bureau will be advised of the proceedings.

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